

A bill for an act

relating to state government; appropriating money for environment, natural resources, commerce, and energy; creating accounts; modifying disposition of certain receipts; creating an advisory committee; modifying fees; modifying feedlot provisions; modifying reporting requirements; modifying requirements for department use of silencers; modifying definitions; modifying Petroleum Tank Release Cleanup Act; modifying Mississippi River Management Plan; modifying aquaculture provisions; modifying compensation and assistance provisions for crop damage by elk; modifying requirements for fish and wildlife management plans; modifying provisions for taking, possessing, and transporting wild animals; modifying penalty and license provisions; modifying duties of the Board of Water and Soil Resources; modifying certain immunities from liability; limiting landowner liability for state walk-in access program; requiring reports; providing criminal penalties; requiring rulemaking; amending Minnesota Statutes 2010, sections 3.7371; 16C.055, subdivision 2; 17.4982, subdivisions 8, 12, 13, by adding a subdivision; 17.4991, subdivision 3; 17.4992, subdivision 4; 17.4994; 84.942, subdivision 1; 84.95, subdivision 2; 84D.03, subdivision 4, as amended; 84D.11, subdivision 2a, as amended; 84D.15, subdivision 2, as amended; 85.052, subdivision 4, as amended; 89.039, subdivision 1; 89.21; 93.481, subdivision 7; 97A.015, subdivisions 24, 45, 49, 52, 55; 97A.028, subdivision 3; 97A.055, by adding a subdivision; 97A.071, subdivision 2; 97A.075; 97A.101, subdivision 3; 97A.311, subdivision 5; 97A.321, subdivision 1; 97A.331, by adding a subdivision; 97A.405, subdivision 2; 97A.415, subdivision 2; 97A.425, subdivision 3; 97A.433, by adding a subdivision; 97A.435, subdivision 1; 97A.445, subdivision 1a; 97A.465, subdivision 5; 97A.475, subdivision 7; 97A.502; 97A.505, subdivision 2; 97A.545, subdivision 5; 97B.022, subdivision 2; 97B.031, subdivision 5; 97B.041; 97B.045, subdivision 3; 97B.055, subdivision 3; 97B.075; 97B.106, subdivision 1; 97B.211, subdivision 1; 97B.325; 97B.405; 97B.425; 97B.515, by adding a subdivision; 97B.645, subdivision 9; 97B.667; 97B.803; 97C.005, subdivision 3; 97C.081, subdivision 3, by adding a subdivision; 97C.087, subdivision 2; 97C.205; 97C.211, subdivision 5; 97C.341; 103B.101, subdivision 9; 103G.271, subdivision 6; 103G.301, by adding a subdivision; 103G.615, subdivision 2; 115A.1314; 115A.1320, subdivision 1; 115C.09, subdivision 3c; 115C.13; 116.07, subdivisions 7c, 7d; 116P.05, subdivision 2; 290.431; 290.432; 299C.40, subdivision 1; 357.021, subdivision 7; 604A.12; 604A.24; 609.66, subdivision 1h; Laws 2005, chapter 156, article 2, section 45, as amended; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 16E; 17; 84; 89; 97A; 97B; 97C; 103G; 348; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2010, sections

84.027, subdivision 11; 84.942, subdivisions 2, 3, 4; 97A.015, subdivisions 26b, 27b, 27c; 97A.435, subdivision 5; 97B.511; 97B.515, subdivision 3; 97C.081, subdivision 2; 116P.14.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

ARTICLE 1

ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES FINANCE

Section 1. SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS.

The amounts shown in this section summarize direct appropriations, by fund, made in this article.

		<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>General</u>	\$	<u>77,630,000</u>	\$ <u>77,525,000</u>	\$ <u>155,155,000</u>
<u>State Government Special Revenue</u>		<u>75,000</u>	<u>75,000</u>	<u>150,000</u>
<u>Environmental</u>		<u>63,703,000</u>	<u>63,797,000</u>	<u>127,500,000</u>
<u>Natural Resources</u>		<u>90,375,000</u>	<u>90,759,000</u>	<u>181,134,000</u>
<u>Game and Fish</u>		<u>89,592,000</u>	<u>88,895,000</u>	<u>178,487,000</u>
<u>Remediation</u>		<u>10,596,000</u>	<u>10,596,000</u>	<u>21,192,000</u>
<u>Permanent School</u>		<u>200,000</u>	<u>200,000</u>	<u>400,000</u>
<u>Total</u>	\$	<u>332,171,000</u>	\$ <u>331,847,000</u>	\$ <u>664,018,000</u>

Sec. 2. ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES APPROPRIATIONS.

The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the general fund, or another named fund, and are available for the fiscal years indicated for each purpose. The figures "2012" and "2013" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under them are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, or June 30, 2013, respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year 2012. "The second year" is fiscal year 2013. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2012 and 2013. Appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, are effective the day following final enactment.

APPROPRIATIONS  
Available for the Year  
Ending June 30  
2012                      2013

Sec. 3. POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY

<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	\$	<u>79,343,000</u>	\$	<u>79,437,000</u>
<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>				
		<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	

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3.1	<u>General</u>	<u>5,069,000</u>	<u>5,069,000</u>
3.2	<u>State Government</u>		
3.3	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>75,000</u>	<u>75,000</u>
3.4	<u>Environmental</u>	<u>63,703,000</u>	<u>63,797,000</u>
3.5	<u>Remediation</u>	<u>10,496,000</u>	<u>10,496,000</u>
3.6	<u>The amounts that may be spent for each</u>		
3.7	<u>purpose are specified in the following</u>		
3.8	<u>subdivisions.</u>		
3.9	<u>Subd. 2. <b>Water</b></u>	<u>23,167,000</u>	<u>23,092,000</u>
3.10	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
3.11		<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
3.12	<u>General</u>	<u>3,737,000</u>	<u>3,737,000</u>
3.13	<u>State Government</u>		
3.14	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>75,000</u>	<u>75,000</u>
3.15	<u>Environmental</u>	<u>19,355,000</u>	<u>19,280,000</u>
3.16	<u>\$1,378,000 the first year and \$1,378,000</u>		
3.17	<u>the second year are for water program</u>		
3.18	<u>operations.</u>		
3.19	<u>\$1,959,000 the first year and \$1,959,000</u>		
3.20	<u>the second year are for grants to delegated</u>		
3.21	<u>counties to administer the county feedlot</u>		
3.22	<u>program under Minnesota Statutes, section</u>		
3.23	<u>116.0711, subdivisions 2 and 3. Money</u>		
3.24	<u>remaining after the first year is available for</u>		
3.25	<u>the second year.</u>		
3.26	<u>\$740,000 the first year and \$740,000 the</u>		
3.27	<u>second year are from the environmental</u>		
3.28	<u>fund to address the need for continued</u>		
3.29	<u>increased activity in the areas of new</u>		
3.30	<u>technology review, technical assistance</u>		
3.31	<u>for local governments, and enforcement</u>		
3.32	<u>under Minnesota Statutes, sections 115.55</u>		
3.33	<u>to 115.58, and to complete the requirements</u>		
3.34	<u>of Laws 2003, chapter 128, article 1, section</u>		
3.35	<u>165.</u>		

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4.1 \$75,000 the first year from the environmental  
4.2 fund is for the water management evaluation  
4.3 required in article 4. This is a onetime  
4.4 appropriation.

4.5 \$400,000 the first year and \$400,000  
4.6 the second year are for the clean water  
4.7 partnership program. Priority shall be  
4.8 given to projects preventing impairments  
4.9 and degradation of lakes, rivers, streams,  
4.10 and groundwater according to Minnesota  
4.11 Statutes, section 114D.20, subdivision 2,  
4.12 clause (4).

4.13 \$289,000 the first year and \$289,000 the  
4.14 second year are from the environmental  
4.15 fund for community technical assistance and  
4.16 education, including grants and technical  
4.17 assistance to communities for local and  
4.18 basinwide water quality protection.

4.19 \$375,000 the first year and \$375,000 the  
4.20 second year are from the environmental  
4.21 fund for subsurface sewage treatment system  
4.22 (SSTS) administration and grants. Of this  
4.23 amount, \$80,000 each year is for assistance  
4.24 to counties through grants for SSTS program  
4.25 administration. Any unexpended balance in  
4.26 the first year does not cancel but is available  
4.27 in the second year.

4.28 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section  
4.29 16A.28, the appropriations encumbered on or  
4.30 before June 30, 2013, as grants or contracts  
4.31 for SSTS's, surface water and groundwater  
4.32 assessments, total maximum daily loads,  
4.33 storm water, and local basinwide water  
4.34 quality protection in this subdivision are  
4.35 available until June 30, 2016.

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5.1	<u>Subd. 3. Air</u>	<u>12,297,000</u>	<u>12,466,000</u>
5.2	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
5.3	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	
5.4	<u>Environmental</u>	<u>12,297,000</u>	<u>12,466,000</u>
5.5	<u>\$200,000 the first year and \$200,000 the</u>		
5.6	<u>second year are from the environmental fund</u>		
5.7	<u>for a monitoring program under Minnesota</u>		
5.8	<u>Statutes, section 116.454.</u>		
5.9	<u>Up to \$150,000 the first year and \$150,000</u>		
5.10	<u>the second year may be transferred from the</u>		
5.11	<u>environmental fund to the small business</u>		
5.12	<u>environmental improvement loan account</u>		
5.13	<u>established in Minnesota Statutes, section</u>		
5.14	<u>116.993.</u>		
5.15	<u>\$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the</u>		
5.16	<u>second year are from the environmental fund</u>		
5.17	<u>for monitoring ambient air for hazardous</u>		
5.18	<u>pollutants in the metropolitan area.</u>		
5.19	<u>Subd. 4. Land</u>	<u>17,680,000</u>	<u>17,680,000</u>
5.20	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
5.21	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	
5.22	<u>Environmental</u>	<u>6,916,000</u>	<u>6,916,000</u>
5.23	<u>Remediation</u>	<u>10,496,000</u>	<u>10,496,000</u>
5.24	<u>General</u>	<u>268,000</u>	<u>268,000</u>
5.25	<u>All money for environmental response,</u>		
5.26	<u>compensation, and compliance in the</u>		
5.27	<u>remediation fund not otherwise appropriated</u>		
5.28	<u>is appropriated to the commissioners of the</u>		
5.29	<u>Pollution Control Agency and agriculture</u>		
5.30	<u>for purposes of Minnesota Statutes, section</u>		
5.31	<u>115B.20, subdivision 2, clauses (1), (2),</u>		
5.32	<u>(3), (6), and (7). At the beginning of each</u>		
5.33	<u>fiscal year, the two commissioners shall</u>		
5.34	<u>jointly submit an annual spending plan</u>		
5.35	<u>to the commissioner of management and</u>		

6.1 budget that maximizes the utilization of  
6.2 resources and appropriately allocates the  
6.3 money between the two departments. This  
6.4 appropriation is available until June 30, 2013.  
  
6.5 \$3,616,000 the first year and \$3,616,000 the  
6.6 second year are from the petroleum tank fund  
6.7 to be transferred to the remediation fund for  
6.8 purposes of the leaking underground storage  
6.9 tank program to protect the land.  
  
6.10 \$252,000 the first year and \$252,000 the  
6.11 second year are from the remediation fund  
6.12 for transfer to the commissioner of health for  
6.13 private water supply monitoring and health  
6.14 assessment costs in areas contaminated  
6.15 by unpermitted mixed municipal solid  
6.16 waste disposal facilities and drinking water  
6.17 advisories and public information activities  
6.18 for areas contaminated by hazardous releases.  
  
6.19 \$268,000 the first year and \$268,000 the  
6.20 second year are for transfer to the Department  
6.21 of Health to complete the environmental  
6.22 health tracking and biomonitoring analysis  
6.23 related to perfluorochemicals and mercury  
6.24 monitoring in Lake Superior and disseminate  
6.25 the results. This is a onetime appropriation.

6.26	<u>Subd. 5. Environmental Assistance and</u>		
6.27	<u>Cross-Media</u>	<u>25,824,000</u>	<u>25,824,000</u>

6.28	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
6.29		<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
6.30	<u>Environmental</u>	<u>25,135,000</u>	<u>25,135,000</u>
6.31	<u>General</u>	<u>689,000</u>	<u>689,000</u>

6.32 \$14,250,000 the first year and \$14,250,000  
6.33 the second year are from the environmental  
6.34 fund for SCORE block grants to counties.

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7.1 \$119,000 the first year and \$119,000 the  
7.2 second year are from the environmental  
7.3 fund for environmental assistance grants  
7.4 or loans under Minnesota Statutes, section  
7.5 115A.0716. Any unencumbered grant and  
7.6 loan balances in the first year do not cancel  
7.7 but are available for grants and loans in the  
7.8 second year.

7.9 \$89,000 the first year and \$89,000 the  
7.10 second year are from the environmental fund  
7.11 for duties related to harmful chemicals in  
7.12 products under Minnesota Statutes, section  
7.13 116.9401 to 116.9407. Of this amount,  
7.14 \$57,000 each year is transferred to the  
7.15 commissioner of health.

7.16 \$315,000 the first year and \$315,000 the  
7.17 second year are from the environmental fund  
7.18 for the electronics waste program under  
7.19 Minnesota Statutes, sections 115A.1310 to  
7.20 115A.1330.

7.21 \$350,000 the first year and \$350,000 the  
7.22 second year are from the environmental  
7.23 fund for the costs of implementing general  
7.24 operating permits for feedlots over 1,000  
7.25 animal units. Of this amount, \$150,000 each  
7.26 year is a onetime appropriation.

7.27 All money deposited in the environmental  
7.28 fund for the metropolitan solid waste  
7.29 landfill fee in accordance with Minnesota  
7.30 Statutes, section 473.843, and not otherwise  
7.31 appropriated, is appropriated for the purposes  
7.32 of Minnesota Statutes, section 473.844.

7.33 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section  
7.34 16A.28, the appropriations encumbered on  
7.35 or before June 30, 2013, as contracts or

8.1	<u>grants for surface water and groundwater</u>		
8.2	<u>assessments; environmental assistance</u>		
8.3	<u>awarded under Minnesota Statutes, section</u>		
8.4	<u>115A.0716; technical and research assistance</u>		
8.5	<u>under Minnesota Statutes, section 115A.152;</u>		
8.6	<u>technical assistance under Minnesota</u>		
8.7	<u>Statutes, section 115A.52; and pollution</u>		
8.8	<u>prevention assistance under Minnesota</u>		
8.9	<u>Statutes, section 115D.04, are available until</u>		
8.10	<u>June 30, 2015.</u>		
8.11	<u>Subd. 6. <b>Administrative Support</b></u>	<u>375,000</u>	<u>375,000</u>
8.12	<u>Subd. 7. <b>Remediation Fund</b></u>		
8.13	<u>The commissioner shall transfer up to</u>		
8.14	<u>\$42,000,000 from the environmental fund to</u>		
8.15	<u>the remediation fund for the purposes of the</u>		
8.16	<u>remediation fund under Minnesota Statutes,</u>		
8.17	<u>section 116.155, subdivision 2.</u>		
8.18	<u>Sec. 4. <b>NATURAL RESOURCES</b></u>		
8.19	<u>Subdivision 1. <b>Total Appropriation</b></u>	<u>\$ 225,289,000</u>	<u>\$ 224,971,000</u>
8.20	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
8.21		<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
8.22	<u>General</u>	<u>51,342,000</u>	<u>51,337,000</u>
8.23	<u>Natural Resources</u>	<u>84,055,000</u>	<u>84,439,000</u>
8.24	<u>Game and Fish</u>	<u>89,592,000</u>	<u>88,895,000</u>
8.25	<u>Remediation</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>
8.26	<u>Permanent School</u>	<u>200,000</u>	<u>200,000</u>
8.27	<u>The amounts that may be spent for each</u>		
8.28	<u>purpose are specified in the following</u>		
8.29	<u>subdivisions.</u>		
8.30	<u>Subd. 2. <b>Land and Mineral Resources</b></u>		
8.31	<u><b>Management</b></u>	<u>7,772,000</u>	<u>7,772,000</u>
8.32	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
8.33		<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
8.34	<u>General</u>	<u>2,711,000</u>	<u>2,711,000</u>
8.35	<u>Natural Resources</u>	<u>3,459,000</u>	<u>3,459,000</u>



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9.1	<u>Game and Fish</u>	<u>1,402,000</u>	<u>1,402,000</u>
9.2	<u>Permanent School</u>	<u>200,000</u>	<u>200,000</u>
9.3	<u>\$2,696,000 the first year and \$2,696,000</u>		
9.4	<u>the second year are from the minerals</u>		
9.5	<u>management account in the natural resources</u>		
9.6	<u>fund for use as provided in Minnesota</u>		
9.7	<u>Statutes, section 93.2236, paragraph (c),</u>		
9.8	<u>for mineral resource management, projects</u>		
9.9	<u>to enhance future mineral income, and</u>		
9.10	<u>projects to promote new mineral resource</u>		
9.11	<u>opportunities.</u>		
9.12	<u>\$68,000 the first year and \$68,000 the</u>		
9.13	<u>second year are for minerals cooperative</u>		
9.14	<u>environmental research, of which \$34,000</u>		
9.15	<u>the first year and \$34,000 the second year are</u>		
9.16	<u>available only as matched by \$1 of nonstate</u>		
9.17	<u>money for each \$1 of state money. The</u>		
9.18	<u>match may be cash or in-kind.</u>		
9.19	<u>\$251,000 the first year and \$251,000 the</u>		
9.20	<u>second year are for iron ore cooperative</u>		
9.21	<u>research. Of this amount, \$200,000 each year</u>		
9.22	<u>is from the minerals management account</u>		
9.23	<u>in the natural resources fund. \$175,000 the</u>		
9.24	<u>first year and \$175,000 the second year are</u>		
9.25	<u>available only as matched by \$1 of nonstate</u>		
9.26	<u>money for each \$1 of state money. The match</u>		
9.27	<u>may be cash or in-kind. Any unencumbered</u>		
9.28	<u>balance from the first year does not cancel</u>		
9.29	<u>and is available in the second year.</u>		
9.30	<u>\$630,000 the first year and \$630,000 the</u>		
9.31	<u>second year are from the dedicated receipts</u>		
9.32	<u>account in the natural resources fund to cover</u>		
9.33	<u>the costs associated with issuing licenses for</u>		
9.34	<u>land and water crossings and road easements.</u>		

10.1 \$200,000 the first year and \$200,000 the  
10.2 second year are from the state forest suspense  
10.3 account in the permanent school fund to  
10.4 accelerate land exchanges, land sales, and  
10.5 commercial leasing of school trust lands and  
10.6 to identify, evaluate, and lease construction  
10.7 aggregate located on school trust lands. This  
10.8 appropriation is to be used for securing  
10.9 maximum long-term economic return  
10.10 from the school trust lands consistent with  
10.11 fiduciary responsibilities and sound natural  
10.12 resources conservation and management  
10.13 principles.

10.14 The appropriations in Laws 2007, chapter  
10.15 57, article 1, section 4, subdivision 2, as  
10.16 amended by Laws 2009, chapter 37, article  
10.17 1, section 60, for support of the land records  
10.18 management system are available until June  
10.19 30, 2013.

10.20	<u>Subd. 3. <b>Ecological and Water Resources</b></u>	<u>24,158,000</u>	<u>24,158,000</u>
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10.21	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
10.22		<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
10.23	<u>General</u>	<u>9,179,000</u>	<u>9,179,000</u>
10.24	<u>Natural Resources</u>	<u>10,280,000</u>	<u>10,280,000</u>
10.25	<u>Game and Fish</u>	<u>4,699,000</u>	<u>4,699,000</u>

10.26 \$2,742,000 the first year and \$2,742,000 the  
10.27 second year are from the invasive species  
10.28 account in the natural resources fund and  
10.29 \$1,674,000 the first year and \$1,674,000 the  
10.30 second year are from the general fund for  
10.31 management, public awareness, assessment  
10.32 and monitoring research, law enforcement,  
10.33 and water access inspection to prevent the  
10.34 spread of invasive species; management  
10.35 of invasive plants in public waters; and

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11.1 management of terrestrial invasive species  
11.2 on state-administered lands.

11.3 \$5,000,000 the first year, and \$5,000,000 the  
11.4 second year are from the water management  
11.5 account in the natural resources fund for only  
11.6 the purposes specified in Minnesota Statutes,  
11.7 section 103G.27, subdivision 2.

11.8 \$264,000 the first year and \$264,000 the  
11.9 second year are for grants for up to 50  
11.10 percent of the cost of implementation of  
11.11 the Red River mediation agreement. The  
11.12 commissioner shall submit a report to the  
11.13 chairs of the legislative committees having  
11.14 primary jurisdiction over environment and  
11.15 natural resources policy and finance on the  
11.16 accomplishments achieved with the grants  
11.17 by January 15, 2014.

11.18 \$1,636,000 the first year and \$1,636,000  
11.19 the second year are from the heritage  
11.20 enhancement account in the game and  
11.21 fish fund for only the purposes specified  
11.22 in Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94,  
11.23 paragraph (e), clause (1).

11.24 \$1,223,000 the first year and \$1,223,000 the  
11.25 second year are from the nongame wildlife  
11.26 management account in the natural resources  
11.27 fund for the purpose of nongame wildlife  
11.28 management. Notwithstanding Minnesota  
11.29 Statutes, section 290.431, \$100,000 the first  
11.30 year and \$100,000 the second year may  
11.31 be used for nongame wildlife information,  
11.32 education, and promotion.

11.33 \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000 the  
11.34 second year from the heritage enhancement  
11.35 account in the game and fish fund is for law

12.1	<u>enforcement and water access inspection</u>		
12.2	<u>to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive</u>		
12.3	<u>species. This is a onetime appropriation.</u>		
12.4	<u>\$53,000 the first year and \$53,000 the</u>		
12.5	<u>second year are for a grant to the Mississippi</u>		
12.6	<u>Headwaters Board for up to 50 percent of</u>		
12.7	<u>the cost of implementing the comprehensive</u>		
12.8	<u>plan for the upper Mississippi within areas</u>		
12.9	<u>under the board's jurisdiction.</u>		
12.10	<u>\$5,000 the first year and \$5,000 the second</u>		
12.11	<u>year are for payment to the Leech Lake Band</u>		
12.12	<u>of Chippewa Indians to implement the band's</u>		
12.13	<u>portion of the comprehensive plan for the</u>		
12.14	<u>upper Mississippi.</u>		
12.15	<u>Subd. 4. Forest Management</u>	<u>33,887,000</u>	<u>33,887,000</u>
12.16	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
12.17	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	
12.18	<u>General</u>	<u>19,030,000</u>	<u>19,030,000</u>
12.19	<u>Natural Resources</u>	<u>13,593,000</u>	<u>13,593,000</u>
12.20	<u>Game and Fish</u>	<u>1,264,000</u>	<u>1,264,000</u>
12.21	<u>\$7,145,000 the first year and \$7,145,000</u>		
12.22	<u>the second year are for prevention,</u>		
12.23	<u>presuppression, and suppression costs of</u>		
12.24	<u>emergency firefighting and other costs</u>		
12.25	<u>incurred under Minnesota Statutes, section</u>		
12.26	<u>88.12. The amount necessary to pay for</u>		
12.27	<u>presuppression and suppression costs during</u>		
12.28	<u>the biennium is appropriated from the general</u>		
12.29	<u>fund.</u>		
12.30	<u>By January 15 of each year, the commissioner</u>		
12.31	<u>of natural resources shall submit a report to</u>		
12.32	<u>the chairs and ranking minority members</u>		
12.33	<u>of the house and senate committees</u>		
12.34	<u>and divisions having jurisdiction over</u>		
12.35	<u>environment and natural resources finance,</u>		

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13.1 identifying all firefighting costs incurred  
13.2 and reimbursements received in the prior  
13.3 fiscal year. These appropriations may  
13.4 not be transferred. Any reimbursement  
13.5 of firefighting expenditures made to the  
13.6 commissioner from any source other than  
13.7 federal mobilizations shall be deposited into  
13.8 the general fund.

13.9 \$13,593,000 the first year and \$13,593,000  
13.10 the second year are from the forest  
13.11 management investment account in the  
13.12 natural resources fund for only the purposes  
13.13 specified in Minnesota Statutes, section  
13.14 89.039, subdivision 2.

13.15 \$580,000 the first year and \$580,000 the  
13.16 second year are for the Forest Resources  
13.17 Council for implementation of the  
13.18 Sustainable Forest Resources Act.

13.19 \$250,000 in the first year and \$250,000 in the  
13.20 second year are for the FORIST system.

13.21 \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000  
13.22 the second year are from the heritage  
13.23 enhancement account in the game and fish  
13.24 fund to maintain and expand the ecological  
13.25 classification system program. This is a  
13.26 onetime appropriation.

13.27	<b>Subd. 5. Parks and Trails Management</b>	<u>64,795,000</u>	<u>64,465,000</u>
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13.28	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
13.29		<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
13.30	<u>General</u>	<u>17,126,000</u>	<u>17,121,000</u>
13.31	<u>Natural Resources</u>	<u>45,475,000</u>	<u>45,150,000</u>
13.32	Game and Fish	2,194,000	2,194,000

13.33 \$1,075,000 the first year and \$1,075,000 the  
13.34 second year are from the water recreation

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14.1 account in the natural resources fund for  
14.2 enhancing public water access facilities.

14.3 The appropriation in Laws 2003, chapter  
14.4 128, article 1, section 5, subdivision 6, from  
14.5 the water recreation account in the natural  
14.6 resources fund for a cooperative project with  
14.7 the United States Army Corps of Engineers  
14.8 to develop the Mississippi Whitewater Park  
14.9 is available until June 30, 2013. The project  
14.10 must be designed to prevent the spread of  
14.11 aquatic invasive species.

14.12 \$5,731,000 the first year and \$5,731,000 the  
14.13 second year are from the natural resources  
14.14 fund for state trail, park, and recreation area  
14.15 operations. This appropriation is from the  
14.16 revenue deposited in the natural resources  
14.17 fund under Minnesota Statutes, section  
14.18 297A.94, paragraph (e), clause (2).

14.19 \$8,424,000 the first year and \$8,424,000  
14.20 the second year are from the snowmobile  
14.21 trails and enforcement account in the  
14.22 natural resources fund for the snowmobile  
14.23 grants-in-aid program. Any unencumbered  
14.24 balance does not cancel at the end of the first  
14.25 year and is available for the second year.

14.26 \$1,360,000 the first year and \$1,360,000  
14.27 the second year are from the natural  
14.28 resources fund for the off-highway vehicle  
14.29 grants-in-aid program. Of this amount,  
14.30 \$1,110,000 each year is from the all-terrain  
14.31 vehicle account; \$150,000 each year is from  
14.32 the off-highway motorcycle account; and  
14.33 \$100,000 each year is from the off-road  
14.34 vehicle account. Any unencumbered balance

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15.1 does not cancel at the end of the first year  
15.2 and is available for the second year.  
15.3 \$805,000 the first year and \$805,000 the  
15.4 second year are from the natural resources  
15.5 fund for trail grants to local units of  
15.6 government on land to be maintained for at  
15.7 least 20 years for the purposes of the grants.  
15.8 This appropriation is from the revenue  
15.9 deposited in the natural resources fund  
15.10 under Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94,  
15.11 paragraph (e), clause (4).  
15.12 \$200,000 the first year from the off-highway  
15.13 vehicle damage account in the natural  
15.14 resources fund is for the all-terrain vehicle  
15.15 grants-in-aid program.  
15.16 \$100,000 the first year is from the all-terrain  
15.17 vehicle account in the natural resources fund  
15.18 for a pass-through grant to Lake County for  
15.19 completion of the Lake County Regional  
15.20 All-Terrain Vehicle Trail. This is a onetime  
15.21 appropriation and is available until spent.  
15.22 \$400,000 each year is from the all-terrain  
15.23 vehicle account in the natural resources  
15.24 fund. Of this amount, \$100,000 the first  
15.25 year and \$100,000 the second year are for  
15.26 the all-terrain vehicle grant-in-aid trails  
15.27 program. \$200,000 the first year and  
15.28 \$200,000 the second year are for the creation  
15.29 and development of all-terrain vehicle  
15.30 trails. \$100,000 each year is to provide  
15.31 downloadable trail maps on the Internet and  
15.32 is a onetime appropriation. By January 1,  
15.33 2013, the commissioner shall submit a report  
15.34 to the chairs and ranking minority members  
15.35 of the legislative committees and divisions

16.1	<u>with jurisdiction over natural resources</u>		
16.2	<u>policy and finance. The report must indicate</u>		
16.3	<u>where and how many miles of new all-terrain</u>		
16.4	<u>vehicle trails were created and designated</u>		
16.5	<u>with appropriations under this paragraph.</u>		
16.6	<u>Subd. 6. Fish and Wildlife Management</u>	<u>60,761,000</u>	<u>60,161,000</u>
16.7	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
16.8		<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
16.9	<u>General</u>	<u>199,000</u>	<u>199,000</u>
16.10	<u>Natural Resources</u>	<u>1,899,000</u>	<u>1,899,000</u>
16.11	<u>Game and Fish</u>	<u>58,663,000</u>	<u>58,063,000</u>
16.12	<u>\$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the</u>		
16.13	<u>second year are from the nongame wildlife</u>		
16.14	<u>account in the natural resources fund for gray</u>		
16.15	<u>wolf research.</u>		
16.16	<u>\$120,000 the first year and \$120,000 the</u>		
16.17	<u>second year are from the game and fish fund</u>		
16.18	<u>for gray wolf management.</u>		
16.19	<u>\$8,167,000 the first year and \$8,167,000</u>		
16.20	<u>the second year are from the heritage</u>		
16.21	<u>enhancement account in the game and</u>		
16.22	<u>fish fund only for activities specified in</u>		
16.23	<u>Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94,</u>		
16.24	<u>paragraph (e), clause (1). Notwithstanding</u>		
16.25	<u>Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94, five</u>		
16.26	<u>percent of this appropriation may be used for</u>		
16.27	<u>expanding hunter and angler recruitment and</u>		
16.28	<u>retention.</u>		
16.29	<u>Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section</u>		
16.30	<u>84.943, \$13,000 the first year and \$13,000</u>		
16.31	<u>the second year from the critical habitat</u>		
16.32	<u>private sector matching account may be used</u>		
16.33	<u>to publicize the critical habitat license plate</u>		
16.34	<u>match program.</u>		



17.1	<u>\$199,000 the first year and \$199,000 the</u>		
17.2	<u>second year are for preserving, restoring, and</u>		
17.3	<u>enhancing grassland and wetland complexes</u>		
17.4	<u>on public or private lands.</u>		
17.5	<u>\$600,000 the first year is from the game and</u>		
17.6	<u>fish fund for land acquisition.</u>		
17.7	<u>Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section</u>		
17.8	<u>16A.28, the appropriations encumbered</u>		
17.9	<u>under contract on or before June 30, 2013, for</u>		
17.10	<u>aquatic restoration grants and wildlife habitat</u>		
17.11	<u>grants are available until June 30, 2014.</u>		
17.12	<u>Subd. 7. Enforcement</u>	<u>31,613,000</u>	<u>32,225,000</u>
17.13	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
17.14	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	
17.15	<u>General</u>	<u>2,216,000</u>	<u>2,216,000</u>
17.16	<u>Natural Resources</u>	<u>8,868,000</u>	<u>9,577,000</u>
17.17	<u>Game and Fish</u>	<u>20,429,000</u>	<u>20,332,000</u>
17.18	<u>Remediation</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>
17.19	<u>\$1,204,000 the first year and \$1,307,000</u>		
17.20	<u>the second year are from the heritage</u>		
17.21	<u>enhancement account in the game and</u>		
17.22	<u>fish fund for only the purposes specified</u>		
17.23	<u>in Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94,</u>		
17.24	<u>paragraph (e), clause (1).</u>		
17.25	<u>\$240,000 the first year and \$143,000</u>		
17.26	<u>the second year are from the heritage</u>		
17.27	<u>enhancement account in the game and fish</u>		
17.28	<u>fund for a conservation officer academy.</u>		
17.29	<u>\$315,000 the first year and \$315,000 the</u>		
17.30	<u>second year are from the snowmobile</u>		
17.31	<u>trails and enforcement account in the</u>		
17.32	<u>natural resources fund for grants to local</u>		
17.33	<u>law enforcement agencies for snowmobile</u>		
17.34	<u>enforcement activities. Any unencumbered</u>		

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18.1 balance does not cancel at the end of the first  
18.2 year and is available for the second year.  
18.3 \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the  
18.4 second year are from the all-terrain vehicle  
18.5 account for grants to qualifying organizations  
18.6 to assist in safety and environmental  
18.7 education and monitoring trails on public  
18.8 lands under Minnesota Statutes, section  
18.9 84.9011. Grants issued under this paragraph:  
18.10 (1) must be issued through a formal  
18.11 agreement with the organization; and (2)  
18.12 must not be used as a substitute for traditional  
18.13 spending by the organization. By December  
18.14 15 each year, an organization receiving a  
18.15 grant under this paragraph shall report to the  
18.16 commissioner with details on expenditures  
18.17 and outcomes from the grant. By January  
18.18 15, 2013, the commissioner shall report on  
18.19 the expenditures and outcomes of the grants  
18.20 to the chairs and ranking minority members  
18.21 of the legislative committees and divisions  
18.22 having jurisdiction over natural resources  
18.23 policy and finance. Of this appropriation,  
18.24 \$25,000 each year is for administration of  
18.25 these grants. Any unencumbered balance  
18.26 does not cancel at the end of the first year  
18.27 and is available for the second year.  
18.28 \$510,000 the first year and \$510,000  
18.29 the second year are from the natural  
18.30 resources fund for grants to county law  
18.31 enforcement agencies for off-highway  
18.32 vehicle enforcement and public education  
18.33 activities based on off-highway vehicle use  
18.34 in the county. Of this amount, \$498,000 each  
18.35 year is from the all-terrain vehicle account;  
18.36 \$11,000 each year is from the off-highway

19.1 motorcycle account; and \$1,000 each year  
19.2 is from the off-road vehicle account. The  
19.3 county enforcement agencies may use  
19.4 money received under this appropriation  
19.5 to make grants to other local enforcement  
19.6 agencies within the county that have a high  
19.7 concentration of off-highway vehicle use.  
19.8 Of this appropriation, \$25,000 each year  
19.9 is for administration of these grants. Any  
19.10 unencumbered balance does not cancel at the  
19.11 end of the first year and is available for the  
19.12 second year.  
19.13 \$1,082,000 the first year and \$1,082,000 the  
19.14 second year are from the water recreation  
19.15 account in the natural resources fund for  
19.16 grants to counties for boat and water safety.  
19.17 Any unencumbered balance does not cancel  
19.18 at the end of the first year and is available for  
19.19 the second year.  
19.20 Subd. 8. **Operations Support** 2,303,000 2,303,000  
19.21 Appropriations by Fund  
19.22 2012 2013  
19.23 General 881,000 881,000  
19.24 Natural Resources 481,000 481,000  
19.25 Game and Fish 941,000 941,000  
19.26 \$320,000 the first year and \$320,000 the  
19.27 second year are from the natural resources  
19.28 fund for grants to be divided equally between  
19.29 the city of St. Paul for the Como Park Zoo  
19.30 and Conservatory and the city of Duluth  
19.31 for the Duluth Zoo. This appropriation  
19.32 is from the revenue deposited to the fund  
19.33 under Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94,  
19.34 paragraph (e), clause (5).

20.1	Sec. 5. <b><u>BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL</u></b>			
20.2	<b><u>RESOURCES</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>12,562,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b> <b><u>12,562,000</u></b>
20.3	<u>\$3,423,000 the first year and \$3,423,000 the</u>			
20.4	<u>second year are for natural resources block</u>			
20.5	<u>grants to local governments. The board may</u>			
20.6	<u>reduce the amount of the natural resources</u>			
20.7	<u>block grant to a county by an amount equal to</u>			
20.8	<u>any reduction in the county's general services</u>			
20.9	<u>allocation to a soil and water conservation</u>			
20.10	<u>district from the county's previous year</u>			
20.11	<u>allocation when the board determines that</u>			
20.12	<u>the reduction was disproportionate. Grants</u>			
20.13	<u>must be matched with a combination of local</u>			
20.14	<u>cash or in-kind contributions. The base</u>			
20.15	<u>grant portion related to water planning must</u>			
20.16	<u>be matched by an amount as specified by</u>			
20.17	<u>Minnesota Statutes, section 103B.3369.</u>			
20.18	<u>\$3,116,000 the first year and \$3,116,000</u>			
20.19	<u>the second year are for grants requested</u>			
20.20	<u>by soil and water conservation districts for</u>			
20.21	<u>general purposes, nonpoint engineering, and</u>			
20.22	<u>implementation of the reinvest in Minnesota</u>			
20.23	<u>reserve program. Upon approval of the</u>			
20.24	<u>board, expenditures may be made from these</u>			
20.25	<u>appropriations for supplies and services</u>			
20.26	<u>benefiting soil and water conservation</u>			
20.27	<u>districts. Any district requesting a grant</u>			
20.28	<u>under this paragraph shall maintain a Web</u>			
20.29	<u>page that publishes, at a minimum, its annual</u>			
20.30	<u>plan, annual report, annual audit, annual</u>			
20.31	<u>budget, including membership dues, and</u>			
20.32	<u>meeting notices and minutes.</u>			
20.33	<u>\$1,560,000 the first year and \$1,560,000</u>			
20.34	<u>the second year are for grants to soil and</u>			
20.35	<u>water conservation districts for cost-sharing</u>			

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21.1 contracts for erosion control, water quality  
21.2 management, feedlot water quality projects.  
21.3 \$386,000 the first year and \$386,000 the  
21.4 second year are for implementation and  
21.5 enforcement of the Wetland Conservation  
21.6 Act.  
21.7 \$166,000 the first year and \$166,000 the  
21.8 second year are to provide assistance to local  
21.9 drainage management officials and for the  
21.10 costs of the Drainage Work Group.  
21.11 \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000  
21.12 the second year are for a grant to the  
21.13 Red River Basin Commission for water  
21.14 quality and floodplain management,  
21.15 including administration of programs. If the  
21.16 appropriation in either year is insufficient, the  
21.17 appropriation in the other year is available  
21.18 for it.  
21.19 \$120,000 the first year and \$120,000  
21.20 the second year are for grants to Area  
21.21 II Minnesota River Basin Projects for  
21.22 floodplain management.  
21.23 \$42,000 each year is to the Minnesota River  
21.24 Board for operating expenses to measure and  
21.25 report the results of projects in the 12 major  
21.26 watersheds within the Minnesota River basin.  
21.27 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section  
21.28 103C.501, the board may shift cost-share  
21.29 funds in this section and may adjust the  
21.30 technical and administrative assistance  
21.31 portion of the grant funds to leverage  
21.32 federal or other nonstate funds or to address  
21.33 high-priority needs identified in local water  
21.34 management plans.

22.1     The appropriations for grants in this  
22.2     section are available until expended. If an  
22.3     appropriation for grants in either year is  
22.4     insufficient, the appropriation in the other  
22.5     year is available for it.

22.6     Sec. 6. **METROPOLITAN COUNCIL**                     \$             **8,540,000** \$             **8,540,000**

22.7	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
22.8		<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
22.9	<u>General</u>	<u>2,870,000</u>	<u>2,870,000</u>
22.10	<u>Natural Resources</u>	<u>5,670,000</u>	<u>5,670,000</u>

22.11     \$2,870,000 the first year and \$2,870,000  
22.12     the second year are for metropolitan area  
22.13     regional parks operation and maintenance  
22.14     according to Minnesota Statutes, section  
22.15     473.351.

22.16     \$5,670,000 the first year and \$5,670,000 the  
22.17     second year are from the natural resources  
22.18     fund for metropolitan area regional parks  
22.19     and trails maintenance and operations. This  
22.20     appropriation is from the revenue deposited  
22.21     in the natural resources fund under Minnesota  
22.22     Statutes, section 297A.94, paragraph (e),  
22.23     clause (3).

22.24     Sec. 7. **CONSERVATION CORPS**  
22.25     **MINNESOTA**   \$             **846,000** \$             **746,000**

22.26	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
22.27		<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
22.28	<u>General</u>	<u>356,000</u>	<u>256,000</u>
22.29	<u>Natural Resources</u>	<u>490,000</u>	<u>490,000</u>

22.30     Conservation Corps Minnesota may receive  
22.31     money appropriated from the natural  
22.32     resources fund under this section only  
22.33     as provided in an agreement with the  
22.34     commissioner of natural resources. The  
22.35     general fund appropriation is onetime.

23.1	Sec. 8. <b><u>ZOOLOGICAL BOARD</u></b>	\$	<b><u>5,591,000</u></b>	\$	<b><u>5,591,000</u></b>
23.2	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>				
23.3		<u>2012</u>		<u>2013</u>	
23.4	<u>General</u>	<u>5,431,000</u>		<u>5,431,000</u>	
23.5	<u>Natural Resources</u>	<u>160,000</u>		<u>160,000</u>	
23.6	<u>\$160,000 the first year and \$160,000 the</u>				
23.7	<u>second year are from the natural resources</u>				
23.8	<u>fund from the revenue deposited under</u>				
23.9	<u>Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94,</u>				
23.10	<u>paragraph (e), clause (5).</u>				
23.11	Sec. 9. <b><u>EFFECTIVE DATE; RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER APPROPRIATIONS.</u></b>				
23.12	<u>Unless otherwise specified, this article is effective retroactively from July 1, 2011,</u>				
23.13	<u>and supersedes and replaces funding authorized by order of the Second Judicial District</u>				
23.14	<u>Court in Case No. 62-CV-11-5203.</u>				
23.15	<b>ARTICLE 2</b>				
23.16	<b>ENERGY, COMMERCE, AND CONSUMER PROTECTION FINANCE</b>				
23.17	Section 1. <b><u>SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS.</u></b>				
23.18	<u>The amounts shown in this section summarize direct appropriations, by fund, made</u>				
23.19	<u>in this article.</u>				
23.20		<b><u>2012</u></b>		<b><u>2013</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
23.21	<u>General</u>	\$ <u>27,893,000</u>	\$	<u>27,901,000</u>	\$ <u>55,794,000</u>
23.22	<u>Petroleum Tank Cleanup</u>	<u>1,052,000</u>		<u>1,052,000</u>	<u>2,104,000</u>
23.23	<u>Workers' Compensation</u>	<u>751,000</u>		<u>751,000</u>	<u>1,502,000</u>
23.24	<b><u>Total</u></b>	\$ <b><u>29,696,000</u></b>	\$	<b><u>29,704,000</u></b>	\$ <b><u>59,400,000</u></b>
23.25	Sec. 2. <b><u>ENERGY FINANCE APPROPRIATIONS.</u></b>				
23.26	<u>The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the</u>				
23.27	<u>agencies and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the</u>				
23.28	<u>general fund, or another named fund, and are available for the fiscal years indicated</u>				
23.29	<u>for each purpose. The figures "2012" and "2013" used in this article mean that the</u>				
23.30	<u>appropriations listed under them are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, or</u>				
23.31	<u>June 30, 2013, respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year 2012. "The second year" is fiscal</u>				
23.32	<u>year 2013. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2012 and 2013. Appropriations for the fiscal</u>				
23.33	<u>year ending June 30, 2011, are effective the day following final enactment.</u>				

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		<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	
		<u>Available for the Year</u>	
		<u>Ending June 30</u>	
		<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
24.1			
24.2			
24.3			
24.4			
24.5	Sec. 3. <u>DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE</u>		
24.6	<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$ 23,514,000</u>	<u>\$ 23,522,000</u>
24.7	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
24.8		<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
24.9	<u>General</u>	<u>21,711,000</u>	<u>21,719,000</u>
24.10	<u>Petroleum Cleanup</u>	<u>1,052,000</u>	<u>1,052,000</u>
24.11	<u>Workers'</u>		
24.12	<u>Compensation</u>	<u>751,000</u>	<u>751,000</u>
24.13	<u>The amounts that may be spent for each</u>		
24.14	<u>purpose are specified in the following</u>		
24.15	<u>subdivisions.</u>		
24.16	<u>Subd. 2. Financial Institutions</u>	<u>7,124,000</u>	<u>7,128,000</u>
24.17	<u>\$138,000 the first year and \$142,000</u>		
24.18	<u>the second year are for the regulation of</u>		
24.19	<u>mortgage originators and servicers under</u>		
24.20	<u>Minnesota Statutes, chapters 58 and 58A.</u>		
24.21	<u>\$350,000 each year is for additional financial</u>		
24.22	<u>examination services. The commissioner</u>		
24.23	<u>may issue contracts for these services.</u>		
24.24	<u>Subd. 3. Petroleum Tank Release Cleanup</u>		
24.25	<u>Board</u>	<u>1,052,000</u>	<u>1,052,000</u>
24.26	<u>This appropriation is from the petroleum</u>		
24.27	<u>tank release cleanup fund.</u>		
24.28	<u>Subd. 4. Administrative Services</u>	<u>4,247,000</u>	<u>4,247,000</u>
24.29	<u>\$375,000 each year is for additional</u>		
24.30	<u>compliance efforts with unclaimed property.</u>		
24.31	<u>The commissioner may issue contracts</u>		
24.32	<u>for these services. This additional amount</u>		
24.33	<u>shall be added to the base budget for fiscal</u>		
24.34	<u>years 2014 and 2015 only. The enhanced</u>		



25.1	<u>unclaimed property compliance program</u>		
25.2	<u>shall sunset June 30, 2015.</u>		
25.3	<u>Subd. 5. Telecommunications</u>	<u>1,010,000</u>	<u>1,010,000</u>
25.4	<u>Subd. 6. Market Assurance</u>	<u>6,915,000</u>	<u>6,919,000</u>
25.5	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
25.6		<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
25.7	<u>General</u>	<u>6,164,000</u>	<u>6,168,000</u>
25.8	<u>Workers'</u>		
25.9	<u>Compensation</u>	<u>751,000</u>	<u>751,000</u>
25.10	<u>Subd. 7. Energy Resources</u>	<u>3,166,000</u>	<u>3,166,000</u>
25.11	<u>Sec. 4. TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACCESS</u>		
25.12	<u>MINNESOTA TRANSFERS</u>		
25.13	<u>(a) The transfers in this section are from the</u>		
25.14	<u>telecommunications access Minnesota fund.</u>		
25.15	<u>(b) \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000</u>		
25.16	<u>the second year and each year thereafter</u>		
25.17	<u>are for transfer to the commissioner of</u>		
25.18	<u>human services to supplement the ongoing</u>		
25.19	<u>operational expenses of the Commission</u>		
25.20	<u>of Deaf, DeafBlind, and Hard-of-Hearing</u>		
25.21	<u>Minnesotans.</u>		
25.22	<u>(c) In addition to the appropriations and</u>		
25.23	<u>transfers authorized in Minnesota Statutes,</u>		
25.24	<u>section 237.52, \$400,000 the first year</u>		
25.25	<u>and \$400,000 the second year are onetime</u>		
25.26	<u>transfers for the following purposes:</u>		
25.27	<u>(1) \$230,000 each year is to the Office of</u>		
25.28	<u>Enterprise Technology for coordinating</u>		
25.29	<u>technology accessibility and usability;</u>		
25.30	<u>(2) \$20,000 each year is to the Commission</u>		
25.31	<u>of Deaf, DeafBlind, and Hard-of-Hearing</u>		
25.32	<u>Minnesotans to provide information on their</u>		
25.33	<u>Web site in American Sign Language and to</u>		

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26.1 provide technical assistance to state agencies;  
26.2 and  
26.3 (3) \$150,000 each year is to the Legislative  
26.4 Coordinating Commission to provide  
26.5 captioning of live streaming of legislative  
26.6 activity on the commission's Web site and  
26.7 for a consolidated access fund for other state  
26.8 agencies.

26.9 (d) These transfers are subject to Minnesota  
26.10 Statutes, sections 16A.28 and 16A.281.

26.11 Sec. 5. **PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**    \$        **6,182,000**    \$        **6,182,000**

26.12 Sec. 6. **TRANSFERS**

26.13 (a) By June 30, 2013, the commissioner  
26.14 of management and budget shall transfer  
26.15 \$3,400,000 from the special revenue fund to  
26.16 the general fund. The transfers must be from  
26.17 the following appropriation reductions and  
26.18 accounts with the special revenue fund:

26.19 (1) \$1,100,000 is from the  
26.20 telecommunications access Minnesota  
26.21 fund established in Minnesota Statutes,  
26.22 section 237.52;

26.23 (2) \$1,300,000 is from the energy and  
26.24 conservation account established in  
26.25 Minnesota Statutes, section 216B.241; and

26.26 (3) the commissioner of management and  
26.27 budget shall transfer \$500,000 the first year  
26.28 and \$500,000 the second year to the general  
26.29 fund from the telephone assistance program  
26.30 established in Minnesota Statutes, section  
26.31 237.69.

26.32 Sec. 7. **TRANSFER; ASSIGNED RISK PLAN**

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27.1 By June 30, 2012, the commissioner of  
27.2 management and budget shall transfer  
27.3 \$13,742,000 in assets of the workers'  
27.4 compensation assigned risk plan created  
27.5 under Minnesota Statutes, section 79.252, to  
27.6 the general fund.

27.7 Sec. 8. **TRANSFERS IN**

27.8 (a) The remaining balance in the second year  
27.9 of the appropriation in Laws 2007, chapter  
27.10 57, article 2, section 3, subdivision 6, for  
27.11 biogas recovery facilities, estimated to be  
27.12 \$420,000, is canceled to the general fund.

27.13 (b) The remaining balance of the  
27.14 appropriation in Laws 2007, chapter 57,  
27.15 article 2, section 3, subdivision 6, clause  
27.16 (7), as amended by Laws 2008, chapter 340,  
27.17 section 5, for the Greenhouse Gas Advisory  
27.18 Group, estimated to be \$7,000, is canceled to  
27.19 the general fund.

27.20 (c) In the first year, the remaining balance of  
27.21 the appropriation in Laws 2007, chapter 57,  
27.22 article 2, section 3, subdivision 6, clause (5),  
27.23 for the hydrogen roadmap project, estimated  
27.24 to be \$280,000, is canceled to the general  
27.25 fund.

27.26 (d) The remaining balance of the  
27.27 appropriation in Laws 2008, chapter 363,  
27.28 article 6, section 3, subdivision 4, for  
27.29 renewable grants, estimated to be \$368,000,  
27.30 is canceled to the general fund.

27.31 (e) The remaining balance of the  
27.32 appropriation in Laws 2008, chapter 363,  
27.33 article 6, section 3, subdivision 4, for the

28.1 green economy projects, estimated to be  
28.2 \$59,000, is canceled to the general fund.

28.3 (f) The remaining balance of the  
28.4 appropriation in Laws 2007, chapter 57,  
28.5 article 2, section 3, subdivision 6, clause  
28.6 (4), for automotive technology projects,  
28.7 estimated to be \$22,000, is canceled to the  
28.8 general fund.

28.9 (g) The remaining balance of the  
28.10 appropriation in Laws 2009, chapter 37,  
28.11 article 2, section 13, paragraph (b), clauses  
28.12 (1) and (2), for renewable energy and energy  
28.13 efficiency projects, estimated to be \$600,000,  
28.14 is canceled to the general fund.

28.15       Sec. 9. **CANCELLATION.**

28.16       By August 30, 2011, the commissioner of management and budget shall cancel  
28.17 the remaining balance of the appropriation in Laws 2007, chapter 57, article 2, section  
28.18 3, subdivision 6, for a grant to the St. Paul Port Authority, estimated to be \$700,000,  
28.19 to the general fund.

28.20       Sec. 10. **COMMUNITY ENERGY ACTIVITIES; ASSESSMENT AND GRANT.**

28.21       The commissioner of commerce shall grant \$500,000 in the fiscal year ending June  
28.22 30, 2012, from assessments made under Minnesota Statutes, section 216B.241, subdivision  
28.23 1e, for the purpose of community energy technical assistance and outreach on renewable  
28.24 energy and energy efficiency as described in Minnesota Statutes, section 216C.385.

28.25       Sec. 11. **EFFECTIVE DATE; RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER APPROPRIATIONS.**

28.26       Unless otherwise specified, this article is effective retroactively from July 1, 2011,  
28.27 and supersedes and replaces funding authorized by order of the Second Judicial District  
28.28 Court in Case No. 62-CV-11-5203.

28.29                               **ARTICLE 3**

28.30                               **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCE TRUST**  
28.31                               **FUND APPROPRIATIONS**

28.32       Section 1. **MINNESOTA RESOURCES APPROPRIATIONS.**

The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the environment and natural resources trust fund, or another named fund, and are available for the fiscal years indicated for each purpose. The figures "2012" and "2013" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under them are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, or June 30, 2013, respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year 2012. "The second year" is fiscal year 2013. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2012 and 2013. The appropriations in this article are onetime.

<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>			
<u>Available for the Year</u>			
<u>Ending June 30</u>			
	<u>2012</u>		<u>2013</u>

Sec. 2. **MINNESOTA RESOURCES**

<b><u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>26,078,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>25,328,000</u></b>
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<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>			
	<u>2012</u>		<u>2013</u>
<u>Environment and natural resources trust fund</u>	<u>25,328,000</u>		<u>25,328,000</u>
<u>State land and water conservation account (LAWCON)</u>	<u>750,000</u>		<u>-0-</u>

Appropriations are available for two years beginning July 1, 2011, unless otherwise stated in the appropriation. Any unencumbered balance remaining in the first year does not cancel and is available for the second year.

**Subd. 2. Definitions**

(a) "Trust fund" means the Minnesota environment and natural resources trust fund referred to in Minnesota Statutes, section 116P.02, subdivision 6.

(b) "State land and water conservation account (LAWCON)" means the state land and water conservation account in the natural

30.1	<u>resources fund referred to in Minnesota</u>		
30.2	<u>Statutes, section 116P.14.</u>		
30.3	<u>Subd. 3. <b>Natural Resource Data and</b></u>		
30.4	<u><b>Information</b></u>	<u>4,387,000</u>	<u>5,388,000</u>
30.5	<u><b>(a) Minnesota County Biological Survey</b></u>		
30.6	<u>\$1,125,000 the first year and \$1,125,000</u>		
30.7	<u>the second year are from the trust fund</u>		
30.8	<u>to the commissioner of natural resources</u>		
30.9	<u>for continuation of the Minnesota county</u>		
30.10	<u>biological survey to provide a foundation</u>		
30.11	<u>for conserving biological diversity by</u>		
30.12	<u>systematically collecting, interpreting,</u>		
30.13	<u>and delivering data on plant and animal</u>		
30.14	<u>distribution and ecology, native plant</u>		
30.15	<u>communities, and functional landscapes.</u>		
30.16	<u><b>(b) County Geologic Atlases for</b></u>		
30.17	<u><b>Sustainable Water Management</b></u>		
30.18	<u>\$900,000 the first year and \$900,000 the</u>		
30.19	<u>second year are from the trust fund to</u>		
30.20	<u>accelerate the production of county geologic</u>		
30.21	<u>atlases to provide information essential to</u>		
30.22	<u>sustainable management of ground water</u>		
30.23	<u>resources by defining aquifer boundaries</u>		
30.24	<u>and the connection of aquifers to the land</u>		
30.25	<u>surface and surface water resources. Of</u>		
30.26	<u>this appropriation, \$600,000 each year is</u>		
30.27	<u>to the Board of Regents of the University</u>		
30.28	<u>of Minnesota for the Geologic Survey and</u>		
30.29	<u>\$300,000 each year is to the commissioner</u>		
30.30	<u>of natural resources. This appropriation</u>		
30.31	<u>is available until June 30, 2015, by which</u>		
30.32	<u>time the project must be completed and final</u>		
30.33	<u>products delivered.</u>		
30.34	<u><b>(c) Completion of Statewide Digital Soil</b></u>		
30.35	<u><b>Survey</b></u>		

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31.1 \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the  
31.2 second year are from the trust fund to  
31.3 the Board of Water and Soil Resources  
31.4 to accelerate the completion of county  
31.5 soil survey mapping and Web-based data  
31.6 delivery. The soil surveys must be done on a  
31.7 cost-share basis with local and federal funds.

31.8 **(d) Updating National Wetlands Inventory**  
31.9 **for Minnesota - Phase III**

31.10 \$1,500,000 the second year is from the trust  
31.11 fund to the commissioner of natural resources  
31.12 to continue the update of wetland inventory  
31.13 maps for Minnesota. This appropriation  
31.14 is available until June 30, 2015, by which  
31.15 time the project must be completed and final  
31.16 products delivered.

31.17 **(e) Golden Eagle Survey**

31.18 \$30,000 the first year and \$30,000 the  
31.19 second year are from the trust fund to the  
31.20 commissioner of natural resources for an  
31.21 agreement with the National Eagle Center to  
31.22 increase the understanding of golden eagles  
31.23 in Minnesota through surveys and education.  
31.24 This appropriation is available until June  
31.25 30, 2014, by which time the project must be  
31.26 completed and final products delivered.

31.27 **(f) Determining Causes of Mortality in**  
31.28 **Moose Populations**

31.29 \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the  
31.30 second year are from the trust fund to  
31.31 the commissioner of natural resources to  
31.32 determine specific causes of moose mortality  
31.33 and population decline in Minnesota and  
31.34 to develop specific management actions to  
31.35 prevent further population decline. This

32.1 appropriation is available until June 30,  
32.2 2015, by which time the project must be  
32.3 completed and final products delivered.

32.4 **(g) Prairie Management for Wildlife and**  
32.5 **Bioenergy - Phase II**

32.6 \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the  
32.7 second year are from the trust fund to the  
32.8 Board of Regents of the University of  
32.9 Minnesota to research and evaluate methods  
32.10 of managing diverse working prairies for  
32.11 wildlife and renewable bioenergy production.

32.12 This appropriation is available until June  
32.13 30, 2014, by which time the project must be  
32.14 completed and final products delivered.

32.15 **(h) Evaluation of Biomass Harvesting**  
32.16 **Impacts on Minnesota's Forests**

32.17 \$175,000 the first year and \$175,000 the  
32.18 second year are from the trust fund to the  
32.19 Board of Regents of the University of  
32.20 Minnesota to assess the impacts biomass  
32.21 harvests for energy have on soil nutrients,  
32.22 native forest vegetation, invasive species  
32.23 spread, and long-term tree productivity within  
32.24 Minnesota's forests. This appropriation is  
32.25 available until June 30, 2014, by which time  
32.26 the project must be completed and final  
32.27 products delivered.

32.28 **(i) Change and Resilience in Boreal Forests**  
32.29 **in Northern Minnesota**

32.30 \$75,000 the first year and \$75,000 the second  
32.31 year are from the trust fund to the Board  
32.32 of Regents of the University of Minnesota  
32.33 to assess the potential response of northern  
32.34 Minnesota's boreal forests to observed and  
32.35 predicted changes in climate conditions and



33.1 develop related management guidelines and  
33.2 adaptation strategies. This appropriation  
33.3 is available until June 30, 2014, by which  
33.4 time the project must be completed and final  
33.5 products delivered.

33.6 **(j) Information System for Wildlife and**  
33.7 **Aquatic Management Areas**

33.8 \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the  
33.9 second year are from the trust fund to the  
33.10 commissioner of natural resources to develop  
33.11 an information system to facilitate improved  
33.12 management of wildlife and fish habitat and  
33.13 facilities. This appropriation is available  
33.14 until June 30, 2014, by which time the  
33.15 project must be completed and final products  
33.16 delivered.

33.17 **(k) Strengthening Natural Resource**  
33.18 **Management with LiDAR Training**

33.19 \$90,000 the first year and \$90,000 the second  
33.20 year are from the trust fund to the Board of  
33.21 Regents of the University of Minnesota to  
33.22 provide workshops and Web-based training  
33.23 and information on the use of LiDAR  
33.24 elevation data in planning for and managing  
33.25 natural resources.

33.26 **(l) Measuring Conservation Practice**  
33.27 **Outcomes**

33.28 \$170,000 the first year and \$170,000 the  
33.29 second year are from the trust fund to  
33.30 the Board of Water and Soil Resources  
33.31 to improve measurement of impacts of  
33.32 conservation practices through refinement  
33.33 of existing and development of new  
33.34 pollution estimators and by providing local  
33.35 government training.

34.1 **(m) Conservation-Based Approach for**  
34.2 **Assessing Public Drainage Benefits**  
34.3 \$75,000 the first year and \$75,000 the second  
34.4 year are from the trust fund to the Board  
34.5 of Water and Soil Resources to develop an  
34.6 alternative framework to assess drainage  
34.7 benefits on public systems to enhance water  
34.8 conservation. This appropriation is available  
34.9 until June 30, 2014, by which time the  
34.10 project must be completed and final products  
34.11 delivered.

34.12 **(n) Mississippi River Central Minnesota**  
34.13 **Conservation Planning**  
34.14 \$87,000 the first year and \$88,000 the  
34.15 second year are from the trust fund to the  
34.16 commissioner of natural resources for an  
34.17 agreement with Stearns County Soil and  
34.18 Water Conservation District to develop  
34.19 and adopt river protection strategies in  
34.20 cooperation with local jurisdictions in  
34.21 the communities of the 26 miles of the  
34.22 Mississippi River between Benton and  
34.23 Stearns Counties. This appropriation must  
34.24 be matched by \$175,000 of nonstate cash or  
34.25 qualifying in-kind funds.

34.26 **(o) St. Croix Basin Conservation Planning**  
34.27 **and Protection**  
34.28 \$60,000 the first year and \$60,000 the  
34.29 second year are from the trust fund to  
34.30 the commissioner of natural resources for  
34.31 an agreement with the St. Croix River  
34.32 Association to develop an interagency plan  
34.33 to identify and prioritize critical areas for  
34.34 project implementation to improve watershed  
34.35 health. This appropriation must be matched

35.1 by \$120,000 of nonstate cash or qualifying  
35.2 in-kind funds. Up to \$10,000 may be retained  
35.3 by the Department of Natural Resources at  
35.4 the request of the St. Croix River Association  
35.5 to provide technical and mapping assistance.  
35.6 This appropriation is available until June  
35.7 30, 2014, by which time the project must be  
35.8 completed and final products delivered.

35.9 **(p) Species of Concern; Investigations**  
35.10 \$500,000 the first year is from the trust fund  
35.11 to the commissioner of natural resources for  
35.12 investigating species of concern.

35.13	<b><u>Subd. 4. Land, Habitat, and Recreation</u></b>	<u>14,629,000</u>	<u>13,755,000</u>
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35.14 Summary by Fund  
35.15 Environment and  
35.16 natural resources  
35.17 trust fund 13,879,000 13,755,000  
35.18 State land and  
35.19 water conservation  
35.20 account (LAWCON) 750,000 -0-

35.21 **(a) State Park and Recreation Area**  
35.22 **Operations and Improvements**  
35.23 \$1,877,000 the first year and \$1,750,000  
35.24 the second year are from the trust fund to  
35.25 the commissioner of natural resources for  
35.26 state park and recreation area operations  
35.27 and improvements, including activities  
35.28 directly related to and necessary for this  
35.29 appropriation. This appropriation is not  
35.30 subject to Minnesota Statutes, sections  
35.31 116P.05, subdivision 2, paragraph (b), and  
35.32 116P.09, subdivision 4.

35.33 **(b) State Parks and Trails Land**  
35.34 **Acquisition**  
35.35 \$1,500,000 the first year and \$1,500,000 the  
35.36 second year are from the trust fund to the

36.1 commissioner of natural resources to acquire  
36.2 state trails and critical parcels within the  
36.3 statutory boundaries of state parks. State  
36.4 park land acquired with this appropriation  
36.5 must be sufficiently improved to meet at  
36.6 least minimum management standards, as  
36.7 determined by the commissioner of natural  
36.8 resources. A list of proposed acquisitions  
36.9 must be provided as part of the required work  
36.10 program. This appropriation is available  
36.11 until June 30, 2014, by which time the  
36.12 project must be completed and final products  
36.13 delivered.

36.14 **(c) Metropolitan Regional Park System**  
36.15 **Acquisition**

36.16 \$1,125,000 the first year and \$1,125,000  
36.17 the second year are from the trust fund to  
36.18 the Metropolitan Council for grants for the  
36.19 acquisition of lands within the approved park  
36.20 unit boundaries of the metropolitan regional  
36.21 park system. This appropriation may not  
36.22 be used for the purchase of residential  
36.23 structures. A list of proposed fee title and  
36.24 easement acquisitions must be provided as  
36.25 part of the required work program. This  
36.26 appropriation must be matched by at least  
36.27 40 percent of nonstate money and must be  
36.28 committed by December 31, 2011, or the  
36.29 appropriation cancels. This appropriation  
36.30 is available until June 30, 2014, at which  
36.31 time the project must be completed and final  
36.32 products delivered, unless an earlier date is  
36.33 specified in the work program.

36.34 **(d) Regional Park, Trail, and Connection**  
36.35 **Acquisition and Development Grants**

37.1 \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000 the  
37.2 second year are from the trust fund to the  
37.3 commissioner of natural resources to provide  
37.4 matching grants to local units of government  
37.5 for acquisition and development of regional  
37.6 parks, regional trails, and trail connections.

37.7 The local match required for a grant to  
37.8 acquire a regional park or regional outdoor  
37.9 recreation area is two dollars of nonstate  
37.10 money for each three dollars of state money.  
37.11 This appropriation is available until June  
37.12 30, 2014, by which time the project must be  
37.13 completed and final products delivered.

37.14 **(e) Scientific and Natural Area Acquisition**  
37.15 **and Restoration**

37.16 \$820,000 the first year and \$820,000 the  
37.17 second year are from the trust fund to  
37.18 the commissioner of natural resources  
37.19 to acquire lands with high-quality native  
37.20 plant communities and rare features to be  
37.21 established as scientific and natural areas  
37.22 as provided in Minnesota Statutes, section  
37.23 86A.05, subdivision 5, restore parts of  
37.24 scientific and natural areas, and provide  
37.25 technical assistance and outreach. A list  
37.26 of proposed acquisitions must be provided  
37.27 as part of the required work program.  
37.28 Land acquired with this appropriation  
37.29 must be sufficiently improved to meet at  
37.30 least minimum management standards, as  
37.31 determined by the commissioner of natural  
37.32 resources. This appropriation is available  
37.33 until June 30, 2014, by which time the  
37.34 project must be completed and final products  
37.35 delivered.

38.1 **(f) LaSalle Lake State Recreation Area**

38.2 **Acquisition**

38.3 \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000  
38.4 the second year are from the trust fund to  
38.5 the commissioner of natural resources for  
38.6 an agreement with The Trust for Public  
38.7 Land to acquire approximately 190 acres  
38.8 to be designated as a state recreation area  
38.9 as provided in Minnesota Statutes, section  
38.10 86A.05, subdivision 3, on LaSalle Lake  
38.11 adjacent to the upper Mississippi River. If  
38.12 this acquisition is not completed by July  
38.13 15, 2012, then the appropriation is available  
38.14 to the Department of Natural Resources  
38.15 for other state park and recreation area  
38.16 acquisitions on the priority list. Up to  
38.17 \$10,000 may be retained by the Department  
38.18 of Natural Resources at the request of  
38.19 The Trust for Public Land for transaction  
38.20 costs, associated professional services, and  
38.21 restoration needs.

38.22 **(g) Minnesota River Valley Green**

38.23 **Corridor Scientific and Natural Area**

38.24 **Acquisition**

38.25 \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000  
38.26 the second year are from the trust fund  
38.27 to the commissioner of natural resources  
38.28 for an agreement with the Redwood Area  
38.29 Communities Foundation to acquire lands  
38.30 with high-quality native plant communities  
38.31 and rare features to be established as scientific  
38.32 and natural areas as provided in Minnesota  
38.33 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 5. A list  
38.34 of proposed acquisitions must be provided  
38.35 as part of the required work program.

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39.1 Land acquired with this appropriation  
39.2 must be sufficiently improved to meet at  
39.3 least minimum management standards, as  
39.4 determined by the commissioner of natural  
39.5 resources. Up to \$54,000 may be retained by  
39.6 the Department of Natural Resources at the  
39.7 request of the Redwood Area Communities  
39.8 Foundation for transaction costs, associated  
39.9 professional services, and restoration needs.  
39.10 This appropriation is available until June  
39.11 30, 2014, by which time the project must be  
39.12 completed and final products delivered.

39.13 **(h) Native Prairie Stewardship and Native**  
39.14 **Prairie Bank Acquisition**

39.15 \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the  
39.16 second year are from the trust fund to the  
39.17 commissioner of natural resources to acquire  
39.18 native prairie bank easements, prepare  
39.19 baseline property assessments, restore and  
39.20 enhance native prairie sites, and provide  
39.21 technical assistance to landowners. This  
39.22 appropriation is available until June 30,  
39.23 2014, by which time the project must be  
39.24 completed and final products delivered.

39.25 **(i) Metropolitan Conservation Corridors**  
39.26 **(MeCC) - Phase VI**

39.27 \$1,737,000 the first year and \$1,738,000  
39.28 the second year are from the trust fund  
39.29 to the commissioner of natural resources  
39.30 for the acceleration of agency programs  
39.31 and cooperative agreements. Of this  
39.32 appropriation, \$150,000 the first year  
39.33 and \$150,000 the second year are to the  
39.34 commissioner of natural resources for  
39.35 agency programs and \$3,175,000 is for the

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40.1 agreements as follows: \$100,000 the first  
40.2 year and \$100,000 the second year with  
40.3 Friends of the Mississippi River; \$517,000  
40.4 the first year and \$518,000 the second year  
40.5 with Dakota County; \$200,000 the first year  
40.6 and \$200,000 the second year with Great  
40.7 River Greening; \$220,000 the first year and  
40.8 \$220,000 the second year with Minnesota  
40.9 Land Trust; \$300,000 the first year and  
40.10 \$300,000 the second year with Minnesota  
40.11 Valley National Wildlife Refuge Trust, Inc.;  
40.12 and \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000  
40.13 the second year with The Trust for Public  
40.14 Land for planning, restoring, and protecting  
40.15 priority natural areas in the metropolitan area,  
40.16 as defined under Minnesota Statutes, section  
40.17 473.121, subdivision 2, and portions of the  
40.18 surrounding counties, through contracted  
40.19 services, technical assistance, conservation  
40.20 easements, and fee title acquisition. Land  
40.21 acquired with this appropriation must  
40.22 be sufficiently improved to meet at least  
40.23 minimum management standards, as  
40.24 determined by the commissioner of natural  
40.25 resources. Expenditures are limited to the  
40.26 identified project corridor areas as defined  
40.27 in the work program. This appropriation  
40.28 may not be used for the purchase of  
40.29 habitable residential structures, unless  
40.30 expressly approved in the work program. All  
40.31 conservation easements must be perpetual  
40.32 and have a natural resource management  
40.33 plan. Any land acquired in fee title by the  
40.34 commissioner of natural resources with  
40.35 money from this appropriation must be  
40.36 designated as an outdoor recreation unit



41.1 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.07.  
41.2 The commissioner may similarly designate  
41.3 any lands acquired in less than fee title. A  
41.4 list of proposed restorations and fee title  
41.5 and easement acquisitions must be provided  
41.6 as part of the required work program. An  
41.7 entity that acquires a conservation easement  
41.8 with appropriations from the trust fund  
41.9 must have a long-term stewardship plan  
41.10 for the easement and a fund established for  
41.11 monitoring and enforcing the agreement.  
41.12 Money appropriated from the trust fund for  
41.13 easement acquisition may be used to establish  
41.14 a monitoring, management, and enforcement  
41.15 fund as approved in the work program. An  
41.16 annual financial report is required for any  
41.17 monitoring, management, and enforcement  
41.18 fund established, including expenditures  
41.19 from the fund. This appropriation is available  
41.20 until June 30, 2014, by which time the  
41.21 project must be completed and final products  
41.22 delivered.

41.23 **(j) Habitat Conservation Partnership**  
41.24 **(HCP) - Phase VII**

41.25 \$1,737,000 the first year and \$1,738,000  
41.26 the second year are from the trust fund  
41.27 to the commissioner of natural resources  
41.28 for the acceleration of agency programs  
41.29 and cooperative agreements. Of this  
41.30 appropriation, \$125,000 the first year  
41.31 and \$125,000 the second year are to the  
41.32 commissioner of natural resources for  
41.33 agency programs and \$3,225,000 is for  
41.34 agreements as follows: \$637,000 the first  
41.35 year and \$638,000 the second year with  
41.36 Ducks Unlimited, Inc.; \$38,000 the first year

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42.1 and \$37,000 the second year with Friends  
42.2 of Detroit Lakes Wetland Management  
42.3 District; \$25,000 the first year and \$25,000  
42.4 the second year with Leech Lake Band of  
42.5 Ojibwe; \$225,000 the first year and \$225,000  
42.6 the second year with Minnesota Land Trust;  
42.7 \$200,000 the first year and \$200,000 the  
42.8 second year with Minnesota Valley National  
42.9 Wildlife Refuge Trust, Inc.; \$242,000 the  
42.10 first year and \$243,000 the second year  
42.11 with Pheasants Forever, Inc.; and \$245,000  
42.12 the first year and \$245,000 the second year  
42.13 with The Trust for Public Land to plan,  
42.14 restore, and acquire fragmented landscape  
42.15 corridors that connect areas of quality habitat  
42.16 to sustain fish, wildlife, and plants. The  
42.17 United States Department of Agriculture,  
42.18 Natural Resources Conservation Service,  
42.19 is an authorized cooperating partner in the  
42.20 appropriation. Expenditures are limited to  
42.21 the project corridor areas as defined in the  
42.22 work program. Land acquired with this  
42.23 appropriation must be sufficiently improved  
42.24 to meet at least minimum habitat and facility  
42.25 management standards, as determined by  
42.26 the commissioner of natural resources.  
42.27 This appropriation may not be used for the  
42.28 purchase of habitable residential structures,  
42.29 unless expressly approved in the work  
42.30 program. All conservation easements must  
42.31 be perpetual and have a natural resource  
42.32 management plan. Any land acquired in fee  
42.33 title by the commissioner of natural resources  
42.34 with money from this appropriation must  
42.35 be designated as an outdoor recreation unit  
42.36 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.07.

43.1 The commissioner may similarly designate  
43.2 any lands acquired in less than fee title. A  
43.3 list of proposed restorations and fee title  
43.4 and easement acquisitions must be provided  
43.5 as part of the required work program. An  
43.6 entity who acquires a conservation easement  
43.7 with appropriations from the trust fund  
43.8 must have a long-term stewardship plan  
43.9 for the easement and a fund established for  
43.10 monitoring and enforcing the agreement.  
43.11 Money appropriated from the trust fund for  
43.12 easement acquisition may be used to establish  
43.13 a monitoring, management, and enforcement  
43.14 fund as approved in the work program. An  
43.15 annual financial report is required for any  
43.16 monitoring, management, and enforcement  
43.17 fund established, including expenditures  
43.18 from the fund. This appropriation is available  
43.19 until June 30, 2014, by which time the  
43.20 project must be completed and final products  
43.21 delivered.

43.22 **(k) Natural and Scenic Area Acquisition**

43.23 **Grants**

43.24 \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the  
43.25 second year are from the trust fund to the  
43.26 commissioner of natural resources to provide  
43.27 matching grants to local governments for  
43.28 acquisition of natural and scenic areas, as  
43.29 provided in Minnesota Statutes, section  
43.30 85.019, subdivision 4a. This appropriation  
43.31 is available until June 30, 2014, by which  
43.32 time the project must be completed and final  
43.33 products delivered.

43.34 **(l) Acceleration of Minnesota Conservation**

43.35 **Assistance**

44.1 \$313,000 the first year and \$312,000 the  
44.2 second year are from the trust fund to the  
44.3 Board of Water and Soil Resources to provide  
44.4 grants to soil and water conservation districts  
44.5 to provide technical assistance to secure  
44.6 enrollment and retention of private lands in  
44.7 federal and state programs for conservation.

44.8 **(m) Conservation Easement Stewardship**  
44.9 **and Enforcement Program - Phase II**

44.10 \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the  
44.11 second year are from the trust fund to  
44.12 the commissioner of natural resources to  
44.13 accelerate the implementation of the Phase  
44.14 I Conservation Easement Stewardship Plan  
44.15 being developed with an appropriation  
44.16 from Laws 2008, chapter 367, section 2,  
44.17 subdivision 5, paragraph (h).

44.18 **(n) Recovery of At-Risk Native Prairie**  
44.19 **Species**

44.20 \$73,000 the first year and \$74,000 the second  
44.21 year are from the trust fund to the Board of  
44.22 Water and Soil Resources for an agreement  
44.23 with the Martin County Soil and Water  
44.24 Conservation District to collect, propagate,  
44.25 and plant declining, at-risk native species  
44.26 on protected habitat and to enhance private  
44.27 market sources for local ecotype native seed.  
44.28 This appropriation is available until June  
44.29 30, 2014, by which time the project must be  
44.30 completed and final products delivered.

44.31 **(o) Understanding Threats, Genetic**  
44.32 **Diversity, and Conservation Options for**  
44.33 **Wild Rice**

44.34 \$97,000 the first year and \$98,000 the second  
44.35 year are from the trust fund to the Board

45.1 of Regents of the University of Minnesota  
45.2 to research the genetic diversity of wild  
45.3 rice population throughout Minnesota for  
45.4 use in related conservation and restoration  
45.5 efforts. This appropriation is contingent upon  
45.6 demonstration of review and cooperation  
45.7 with the Native American tribal nations  
45.8 in Minnesota. Equipment purchased with  
45.9 this appropriation must be available for  
45.10 future publicly funded projects at no charge  
45.11 except for typical operating expenses. This  
45.12 appropriation is available until June 30,  
45.13 2014, by which time the project must be  
45.14 completed and final products delivered.

45.15 **(p) Southeast Minnesota Stream**

45.16 **Restoration**

45.17 \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the  
45.18 second year are from the trust fund to the  
45.19 commissioner of natural resources for an  
45.20 agreement with Trout Unlimited to restore at  
45.21 least four miles of riparian corridor for trout  
45.22 and nongame species in southeast Minnesota  
45.23 and increase local capacities to implement  
45.24 stream restoration through training and  
45.25 technical assistance. This appropriation is  
45.26 available until June 30, 2014, by which time  
45.27 the project must be completed and final  
45.28 products delivered.

45.29 **(q) Restoration Strategies for Ditched**

45.30 **Peatland Scientific and Natural Areas**

45.31 \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the  
45.32 second year are from the trust fund to the  
45.33 commissioner of natural resources to evaluate  
45.34 the hydrology and habitat of the Winter Road  
45.35 Lake peatland watershed protection area to

46.1	<u>determine the effects of ditch abandonment</u>		
46.2	<u>and examine the potential for restoration</u>		
46.3	<u>of patterned peatlands. This appropriation</u>		
46.4	<u>is available until June 30, 2014, by which</u>		
46.5	<u>time the project must be completed and final</u>		
46.6	<u>products delivered.</u>		
46.7	<b><u>(r) Northeast Minnesota White Cedar</u></b>		
46.8	<b><u>Plant Community Restoration</u></b>		
46.9	<u>\$125,000 for the first year and \$125,000</u>		
46.10	<u>the second year are from the trust fund to</u>		
46.11	<u>the Board of Water and Soil Resources to</u>		
46.12	<u>assess the decline of northern white cedar</u>		
46.13	<u>plant communities in northeast Minnesota,</u>		
46.14	<u>prioritize cedar sites for restoration, and</u>		
46.15	<u>provide cedar restoration training to local</u>		
46.16	<u>units of government.</u>		
46.17	<b><u>(s) Land and Water Conservation Account</u></b>		
46.18	<b><u>(LAWCON) Federal Reimbursement</u></b>		
46.19	<u>\$750,000 is from the state land and water</u>		
46.20	<u>conservation account (LAWCON) in the</u>		
46.21	<u>natural resources fund to the commissioner of</u>		
46.22	<u>natural resources for priorities established by</u>		
46.23	<u>the commissioner for eligible state projects</u>		
46.24	<u>and administrative and planning activities</u>		
46.25	<u>consistent with Minnesota Statutes, section</u>		
46.26	<u>116P.14, and the federal Land and Water</u>		
46.27	<u>Conservation Fund Act. This appropriation</u>		
46.28	<u>is available until June 30, 2014, by which</u>		
46.29	<u>time the project must be completed and final</u>		
46.30	<u>products delivered.</u>		
46.31	<b><u>Subd. 5. Water Resources</u></b>	<u>778,000</u>	<u>779,000</u>
46.32	<b><u>(a) Itasca County Sensitive Lakeshore</u></b>		
46.33	<b><u>Identification</u></b>		

47.1 \$80,000 the first year and \$80,000 the  
47.2 second year are from the trust fund to the  
47.3 commissioner of natural resources for an  
47.4 agreement with Itasca County Soil and Water  
47.5 Conservation District to identify sensitive  
47.6 lakeshore and restorable shoreline in Itasca  
47.7 County. Up to \$130,000 may be retained by  
47.8 the Department of Natural Resources at the  
47.9 request of Itasca County to provide technical  
47.10 assistance.

47.11 **(b) Trout Stream Springshed Mapping in**  
47.12 **Southeast Minnesota - Phase III**

47.13 \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the  
47.14 second year are from the trust fund to  
47.15 continue to identify and delineate water  
47.16 supply areas and springsheds for springs  
47.17 serving as cold water sources for trout  
47.18 streams and to assess the impacts from  
47.19 development and water appropriations. Of  
47.20 this appropriation, \$140,000 each year is to  
47.21 the Board of Regents of the University of  
47.22 Minnesota and \$110,000 each year is to the  
47.23 commissioner of natural resources.

47.24 **(c) Mississippi River Water Quality**  
47.25 **Assessment**

47.26 \$278,000 the first year and \$279,000 the  
47.27 second year are from the trust fund to the  
47.28 Board of Regents of the University of  
47.29 Minnesota to assess water quality in the  
47.30 Mississippi River using DNA sequencing  
47.31 approaches and chemical analyses. The  
47.32 assessments shall be incorporated into  
47.33 a Web-based educational tool for use  
47.34 in classrooms and public exhibits. This  
47.35 appropriation is available until June 30,

48.1 2014, by which time the project must be  
48.2 completed and final products delivered.

48.3 **(d) Zumbro River Watershed Restoration**  
48.4 **Prioritization**

48.5 \$75,000 the first year and \$75,000 the  
48.6 second year are from the trust fund to the  
48.7 commissioner of natural resources for an  
48.8 agreement with the Zumbro Watershed  
48.9 Partnership, Inc. to identify sources of  
48.10 erosion and runoff in the Zumbro River  
48.11 Watershed in order to prioritize restoration  
48.12 and protection projects.

48.13 **(e) Assessment of Minnesota River**  
48.14 **Antibiotic Concentrations**

48.15 \$95,000 the first year and \$95,000 the  
48.16 second year are from the trust fund to the  
48.17 commissioner of natural resources for an  
48.18 agreement with Saint Thomas University  
48.19 in cooperation with Gustavus Adolphus  
48.20 College and the University of Minnesota  
48.21 to measure antibiotic concentrations and  
48.22 antibiotic resistance levels at sites on the  
48.23 Minnesota River.

48.24 **Subd. 6. Aquatic and Terrestrial Invasive**  
48.25 **Species**

<u>435,000</u>	<u>435,000</u>
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48.26 **(a) Improved Detection of Harmful**  
48.27 **Microbes in Ballast Water**  
48.28 \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the  
48.29 second year are from the trust fund to the  
48.30 Board of Regents of the University of  
48.31 Minnesota for the University of Minnesota  
48.32 Duluth to identify and analyze potentially  
48.33 harmful bacteria transported into Lake  
48.34 Superior through ship ballast water  
48.35 discharge. This appropriation is available



49.1 until June 30, 2014, by which time the  
49.2 project must be completed and final products  
49.3 delivered.

49.4 **(b) Emerald Ash Borer Biocontrol**

49.5 **Research and Implementation**

49.6 \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the  
49.7 second year are from the trust fund to the  
49.8 commissioner of agriculture to assess a  
49.9 biocontrol method for suppressing emerald  
49.10 ash borers by testing bioagent winter survival  
49.11 potential, developing release and monitoring  
49.12 methods, and piloting implementation  
49.13 of emerald ash borer biocontrol. This  
49.14 appropriation is available until June 30,  
49.15 2014, by which time the project must be  
49.16 completed and final products delivered.

49.17 **(c) Evaluation of Switchgrass as Biofuel**

49.18 **Crop**

49.19 \$60,000 the first year and \$60,000 the second  
49.20 year are from the trust fund to the Minnesota  
49.21 State Colleges and Universities System for  
49.22 Central Lakes College in cooperation with  
49.23 the University of Minnesota to determine  
49.24 the invasion risk of selectively bred  
49.25 native grasses for biofuel production and  
49.26 develop strategies to minimize the invasion  
49.27 potential and impacts on biodiversity. This  
49.28 appropriation is available until June 30,  
49.29 2014, by which time the project must be  
49.30 completed and final products delivered.

49.31 **Subd. 7. Renewable Energy and Air Quality**

75,000

75,000

49.32 **Supporting Community-Driven**

49.33 **Sustainable Bioenergy Projects**

50.1	<u>\$75,000 the first year and \$75,000 the</u>		
50.2	<u>second year are from the trust fund to</u>		
50.3	<u>the commissioner of natural resources</u>		
50.4	<u>for an agreement with Dovetail Partners,</u>		
50.5	<u>Inc., in cooperation with the University of</u>		
50.6	<u>Minnesota to assess feasibility, impacts,</u>		
50.7	<u>and management needs of community-scale</u>		
50.8	<u>forest bioenergy systems through pilot</u>		
50.9	<u>studies in Ely and Cook County and to</u>		
50.10	<u>disseminate findings to inform related efforts</u>		
50.11	<u>in other communities.</u>		
50.12	<u>Subd. 8. <b>Environmental Education</b></u>	<u>688,000</u>	<u>123,000</u>
50.13	<u>(a) <b>Youth-Led Renewable Energy and</b></u>		
50.14	<u><b>Energy Conservation in West Central and</b></u>		
50.15	<u><b>Southwest Minnesota</b></u>		
50.16	<u>\$123,000 the first year and \$123,000 the</u>		
50.17	<u>second year are from the trust fund to</u>		
50.18	<u>the commissioner of natural resources</u>		
50.19	<u>for an agreement with Prairie Woods</u>		
50.20	<u>Environmental Learning Center to initiate</u>		
50.21	<u>youth-led renewable energy and conservation</u>		
50.22	<u>projects in over thirty communities in west</u>		
50.23	<u>central and southwest Minnesota.</u>		
50.24	<u>(b) <b>Minnesota Junior Master Naturalist</b></u>		
50.25	<u><b>Program</b></u>		
50.26	<u>\$365,000 the first year is from the trust fund</u>		
50.27	<u>to the Board of Regents of the University</u>		
50.28	<u>of Minnesota to expand the junior naturalist</u>		
50.29	<u>after-school programs. This appropriation</u>		
50.30	<u>is available until June 30, 2014, by which</u>		
50.31	<u>time the project must be completed and final</u>		
50.32	<u>products delivered.</u>		
50.33	<u>(c) <b>Experiential Environmental Education</b></u>		
50.34	<u><b>for Urban Youth</b></u>		

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51.1	<u>\$200,000 the first year is from the trust fund</u>		
51.2	<u>to the commissioner of natural resources</u>		
51.3	<u>for an agreement with Hennepin County</u>		
51.4	<u>in cooperation with community partners</u>		
51.5	<u>to initiate new environmental education</u>		
51.6	<u>programs targeting inner-city youth that</u>		
51.7	<u>provide hands-on, experiential outdoor</u>		
51.8	<u>learning opportunities. This appropriation</u>		
51.9	<u>is available until June 30, 2014, by which</u>		
51.10	<u>time the project must be completed and final</u>		
51.11	<u>products delivered.</u>		
51.12	<u>Subd. 9. <b>Emerging Issues</b></u>	<u>4,522,000</u>	<u>4,213,000</u>
51.13	<u>(a) <b>Minnesota Conservation Apprentice</b></u>		
51.14	<u><b>Academy</b></u>		
51.15	<u>\$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the</u>		
51.16	<u>second year are from the trust fund to</u>		
51.17	<u>the Board of Water and Soil Resources</u>		
51.18	<u>in cooperation with Conservation Corps</u>		
51.19	<u>Minnesota to train and mentor future</u>		
51.20	<u>conservation professionals by providing</u>		
51.21	<u>apprenticeship service opportunities to</u>		
51.22	<u>soil and water conservation districts. This</u>		
51.23	<u>appropriation is available until June 30,</u>		
51.24	<u>2014, by which time the project must be</u>		
51.25	<u>completed and the final products delivered.</u>		
51.26	<u>(b) <b>Chronic Wasting Disease and Animal</b></u>		
51.27	<u><b>Health</b></u>		
51.28	<u>\$600,000 the first year and \$600,000 the</u>		
51.29	<u>second year are from the trust fund to the</u>		
51.30	<u>commissioner of natural resources to address</u>		
51.31	<u>chronic wasting disease and accelerate</u>		
51.32	<u>wildlife health programs, including activities</u>		
51.33	<u>directly related to and necessary for this</u>		
51.34	<u>appropriation.</u>		
51.35	<u>(c) <b>Aquatic Invasive Species</b></u>		

52.1 \$2,177,000 the first year and \$3,513,000  
52.2 the second year are from the trust fund  
52.3 to the commissioner of natural resources  
52.4 to accelerate aquatic invasive species  
52.5 programs, including the development  
52.6 and implementation of best management  
52.7 practices for public water access facilities  
52.8 to implement aquatic invasive species  
52.9 prevention strategies, including activities  
52.10 directly related to and necessary for this  
52.11 appropriation. \$50,000 is for a grant  
52.12 to develop and produce a documentary  
52.13 identifying the challenges presented by  
52.14 aquatic invasive species. The documentary  
52.15 shall be available to the Department of  
52.16 Natural Resources to distribute to watercraft  
52.17 license purchasers and the general public  
52.18 through online and other media.

52.19 **(d) Reinvest in Minnesota Wetlands**  
52.20 **Reserve Acquisition and Restoration**  
52.21 **Program Partnership**

52.22 \$1,645,000 the first year is to the Board  
52.23 of Water and Soil Resources to acquire  
52.24 permanent conservation easements and  
52.25 restore wetlands and associated upland  
52.26 habitat in cooperation with the United States  
52.27 Department of Agriculture Wetlands Reserve  
52.28 Program. A list of proposed land acquisitions  
52.29 must be provided as part of the required work  
52.30 program.

52.31 **(e) Limitation**

52.32 Appropriations in paragraphs (b) and (c) are  
52.33 not subject to Minnesota Statutes, sections  
52.34 116P.05, subdivision 2, paragraph (b), and  
52.35 116P.09, subdivision 4.

53.1	<u>Subd. 10. <b>Administration and Contract</b></u>		
53.2	<u><b>Management</b></u>	<u>564,000</u>	<u>560,000</u>
53.3	<u>(a) <b>Legislative-Citizen Commission on</b></u>		
53.4	<u><b>Minnesota Resources (LCCMR)</b></u>		
53.5	<u>\$473,000 the first year and \$473,000 the</u>		
53.6	<u>second year are from the trust fund to the</u>		
53.7	<u>LCCMR for administration as provided</u>		
53.8	<u>in Minnesota Statutes, section 116P.09,</u>		
53.9	<u>subdivision 5.</u>		
53.10	<u>(b) <b>Contract Management</b></u>		
53.11	<u>\$88,000 the first year and \$87,000 the</u>		
53.12	<u>second year are from the trust fund to</u>		
53.13	<u>the commissioner of natural resources</u>		
53.14	<u>for expenses incurred for contract fiscal</u>		
53.15	<u>services for the agreements specified in this</u>		
53.16	<u>section. The commissioner shall provide</u>		
53.17	<u>documentation to the Legislative-Citizen</u>		
53.18	<u>Commission on Minnesota Resources</u>		
53.19	<u>on the expenditure of these funds. This</u>		
53.20	<u>appropriation is available until June 30, 2014.</u>		
53.21	<u>(c) <b>LCC Web Site</b></u>		
53.22	<u>\$3,000 in the first year is appropriated to the</u>		
53.23	<u>Legislative Coordinating Commission for</u>		
53.24	<u>the Web site required in Minnesota Statutes,</u>		
53.25	<u>section 3.303, subdivision 10.</u>		
53.26	<u>Subd. 11. <b>Availability of Appropriations</b></u>		
53.27	<u>Money appropriated in this section may</u>		
53.28	<u>not be spent on activities unless they are</u>		
53.29	<u>directly related to the specific appropriation</u>		
53.30	<u>and are specified in the approved work</u>		
53.31	<u>program. Money appropriated in this section</u>		
53.32	<u>must not be spent on indirect costs or other</u>		
53.33	<u>institutional overhead charges. Unless</u>		
53.34	<u>otherwise provided, the amounts in this</u>		

54.1 section are available until June 30, 2014,  
54.2 when projects must be completed and final  
54.3 products delivered. For acquisition of real  
54.4 property, the amounts in this section are  
54.5 available until June 30, 2014, if a binding  
54.6 contract is entered into by June 30, 2013,  
54.7 and closed not later than June 30, 2014. If  
54.8 a project receives a federal grant, the time  
54.9 period of the appropriation is extended to  
54.10 equal the federal grant period.

54.11 **Subd. 12. Data Availability Requirements**

54.12 Data collected by the projects funded under  
54.13 this section must conform to guidelines and  
54.14 standards adopted by the Office of Enterprise  
54.15 Technology. Spatial data also must conform  
54.16 to additional guidelines and standards  
54.17 designed to support data coordination and  
54.18 distribution that have been published by the  
54.19 Minnesota Geospatial Information Office.

54.20 Descriptions of spatial data must be prepared  
54.21 as specified in the state's geographic metadata  
54.22 guideline and must be submitted to the  
54.23 Minnesota Geospatial Information Office.

54.24 All data must be accessible and free to the  
54.25 public unless made private under the Data  
54.26 Practices Act, Minnesota Statutes, chapter  
54.27 13.

54.28 To the extent practicable, summary data and  
54.29 results of projects funded under this section  
54.30 should be readily accessible on the Internet  
54.31 and identified as an environment and natural  
54.32 resources trust fund project.

54.33 **Subd. 13. Project Requirements**

54.34 (a) As a condition of accepting an  
54.35 appropriation under this section, any agency

55.1 or entity receiving an appropriation or a  
55.2 party to an agreement from an appropriation  
55.3 must comply with paragraphs (b) to (k) and  
55.4 Minnesota Statutes, chapter 116P, and must  
55.5 submit a work program and semiannual  
55.6 progress reports in the form determined  
55.7 by the Legislative-Citizen Commission on  
55.8 Minnesota Resources for any project funded  
55.9 in whole or in part with funds from the  
55.10 appropriation.

55.11 (b) For all restorations conducted with money  
55.12 appropriated under this section, a recipient  
55.13 must prepare an ecological restoration  
55.14 and management plan that, to the degree  
55.15 practicable, is consistent with the highest  
55.16 quality conservation and ecological goals for  
55.17 the restoration site. Consideration should  
55.18 be given to soil, geology, topography, and  
55.19 other relevant factors that would provide  
55.20 the best chance for long-term success of the  
55.21 restoration projects. The plan must include  
55.22 the proposed timetable for implementing  
55.23 the restoration, including site preparation,  
55.24 establishment of diverse plant species,  
55.25 maintenance, and additional enhancement to  
55.26 establish the restoration; identify long-term  
55.27 maintenance and management needs of  
55.28 the restoration and how the maintenance,  
55.29 management, and enhancement will be  
55.30 financed; and take advantage of the best  
55.31 available science and include innovative  
55.32 techniques to achieve the best restoration.

55.33 (c) Any entity receiving an appropriation in  
55.34 this section for restoration activities must  
55.35 provide an initial restoration evaluation  
55.36 at the completion of the appropriation

56.1 and an evaluation three years beyond the  
56.2 completion of the expenditure. Restorations  
56.3 must be evaluated relative to the stated  
56.4 goals and standards in the restoration plan,  
56.5 current science, and, when applicable, the  
56.6 Board of Water and Soil Resources' native  
56.7 vegetation establishment and enhancement  
56.8 guidelines. The evaluation shall determine  
56.9 whether the restorations are meeting planned  
56.10 goals, identify any problems with the  
56.11 implementation of the restorations, and,  
56.12 if necessary, give recommendations on  
56.13 improving restorations. The evaluation shall  
56.14 be focused on improving future restorations.

56.15 (d) Except as otherwise provided in this  
56.16 section, all restoration and enhancement  
56.17 projects funded with money appropriated in  
56.18 this section must be on land permanently  
56.19 protected by a conservation easement or  
56.20 public ownership or in public waters as  
56.21 defined in Minnesota Statutes, section  
56.22 103G.005, subdivision 15.

56.23 (e) A recipient of money from an  
56.24 appropriation under this section must  
56.25 give consideration to contracting with  
56.26 Conservation Corps Minnesota or its  
56.27 successor for contract restoration and  
56.28 enhancement services.

56.29 (f) All conservation easements acquired with  
56.30 money appropriated under this section must:

56.31 (1) be perpetual;  
56.32 (2) specify the parties to an easement in the  
56.33 easement;  
56.34 (3) specify all of the provisions of an  
56.35 agreement that are perpetual;



57.1 (4) be sent to the Office of the  
57.2 Legislative-Citizen Commission on  
57.3 Minnesota Resources in an electronic format;  
57.4 (5) include a long-term monitoring and  
57.5 enforcement plan and funding for monitoring  
57.6 and enforcing the easement agreement; and  
57.7 (6) include requirements in the easement  
57.8 document to address specific water quality  
57.9 protection activities such as keeping water  
57.10 on the landscape, reducing nutrient and  
57.11 contaminant loading, protecting groundwater,  
57.12 and not permitting artificial hydrological  
57.13 modifications.  
57.14 (g) For any acquisition of land or interest in  
57.15 land, a recipient of money appropriated under  
57.16 this section must give priority to high quality  
57.17 natural resources or conservation lands that  
57.18 provide natural buffers to water resources.  
57.19 (h) For new lands acquired with money  
57.20 appropriated under this section, a recipient  
57.21 must prepare a restoration and management  
57.22 plan in compliance with paragraph  
57.23 (b), including sufficient funding for  
57.24 implementation unless the work program  
57.25 addresses why a portion of the money is  
57.26 not necessary to achieve a high quality  
57.27 restoration.  
57.28 (i) To the extent an appropriation is used to  
57.29 acquire an interest in real property, a recipient  
57.30 of an appropriation under this section must  
57.31 provide to the Legislative-Citizen  
57.32 Commission on Minnesota Resources and  
57.33 the commissioner of management and budget  
57.34 an analysis of increased operations and  
57.35 maintenance costs likely to be incurred by

58.1 public entities as a result of the acquisition  
58.2 and how these costs are to be paid.

58.3 (j) To ensure public accountability for the  
58.4 use of public funds, a recipient of money  
58.5 appropriated under this section must provide  
58.6 to the Legislative-Citizen Commission on  
58.7 Minnesota Resources documentation of the  
58.8 selection process used to identify parcels  
58.9 acquired and provide documentation of all  
58.10 related transaction costs, including but not  
58.11 limited to appraisals, legal fees, recording  
58.12 fees, commissions, other similar costs,  
58.13 and donations. This information must be  
58.14 provided for all parties involved in the  
58.15 transaction. The recipient must also report  
58.16 to the Legislative-Citizen Commission on  
58.17 Minnesota Resources any difference between  
58.18 the acquisition amount paid to the seller  
58.19 and the state-certified or state-reviewed  
58.20 appraisal, if a state-certified or state-reviewed  
58.21 appraisal was conducted. Acquisition data  
58.22 such as appraisals may remain private  
58.23 during negotiations but must ultimately  
58.24 be made public according to Minnesota  
58.25 Statutes, chapter 13. The Legislative-Citizen  
58.26 Commission on Minnesota Resources shall  
58.27 review the requirement in this paragraph  
58.28 and provide a recommendation on whether  
58.29 to continue or modify the requirement in  
58.30 future years. The commission may waive  
58.31 the application of this paragraph for specific  
58.32 projects.

58.33 (k) A recipient of an appropriation from  
58.34 the trust fund under this section must  
58.35 acknowledge financial support from the  
58.36 Minnesota environment and natural resources

59.1 trust fund in project publications, signage,  
59.2 and other public communications and  
59.3 outreach related to work completed using the  
59.4 appropriation. Acknowledgment may occur,  
59.5 as appropriate, through use of the trust fund  
59.6 logo or inclusion of language attributing  
59.7 support from the trust fund.

59.8 **Subd. 14. Payment Conditions and Capital**  
59.9 **Equipment Expenditures**

59.10 All agreements, grants, or contracts referred  
59.11 to in this section must be administered on  
59.12 a reimbursement basis unless otherwise  
59.13 provided in this section. Notwithstanding  
59.14 Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.41,  
59.15 expenditures made on or after July 1,  
59.16 2011, or the date the work program is  
59.17 approved, whichever is later, are eligible for  
59.18 reimbursement unless otherwise provided  
59.19 in this section. Periodic payment must  
59.20 be made upon receiving documentation  
59.21 that the deliverable items articulated in  
59.22 the approved work program have been  
59.23 achieved, including partial achievements  
59.24 as evidenced by approved progress reports.

59.25 Reasonable amounts may be advanced to  
59.26 projects to accommodate cash flow needs or  
59.27 match federal money. The advances must  
59.28 be approved as part of the work program.  
59.29 No expenditures for capital equipment are  
59.30 allowed unless expressly authorized in the  
59.31 project work program.

59.32 **Subd. 15. Purchase of Recycled and Recyclable**  
59.33 **Materials**

59.34 A political subdivision, public or private  
59.35 corporation, or other entity that receives an  
59.36 appropriation under this section must use the

60.1 appropriation in compliance with Minnesota  
60.2 Statutes, section 16B.121, regarding  
60.3 purchase of recycled, repairable, and durable  
60.4 materials; and Minnesota Statutes, section  
60.5 16B.122, regarding purchase and use of  
60.6 paper stock and printing.

60.7 **Subd. 16. Energy Conservation and**  
60.8 **Sustainable Building Guidelines**

60.9 A recipient to whom an appropriation is made  
60.10 under this section for a capital improvement  
60.11 project must ensure that the project complies  
60.12 with the applicable energy conservation and  
60.13 sustainable building guidelines and standards  
60.14 contained in law, including Minnesota  
60.15 Statutes, sections 16B.325, 216C.19, and  
60.16 216C.20, and rules adopted under those  
60.17 sections. The recipient may use the energy  
60.18 planning, advocacy, and State Energy Office  
60.19 units of the Department of Commerce to  
60.20 obtain information and technical assistance  
60.21 on energy conservation and alternative  
60.22 energy development relating to the planning  
60.23 and construction of the capital improvement  
60.24 project.

60.25 **Subd. 17. Accessibility**

60.26 Structural and nonstructural facilities must  
60.27 meet the design standards in the Americans  
60.28 with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility  
60.29 guidelines.

60.30 **Subd. 18. Carryforward**

60.31 (a) The availability of the appropriation for  
60.32 the following projects is extended to June  
60.33 30, 2012:

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- 61.1 (1) Laws 2008, chapter 367, section 2,  
61.2 subdivision 3, paragraph (g), State Land  
61.3 Acquisition Consolidation;
- 61.4 (2) Laws 2008, chapter 367, section  
61.5 2, subdivision 4, paragraph (f), Native  
61.6 Shoreland Buffer Incentives Program;
- 61.7 (3) Laws 2008, chapter 367, section 2,  
61.8 subdivision 4, paragraph (g), Southeast  
61.9 Minnesota Stream Restoration Projects;
- 61.10 (4) Laws 2009, chapter 143, section 2,  
61.11 subdivision 4, paragraph (a), State Park  
61.12 Acquisition;
- 61.13 (5) Laws 2009, chapter 143, section 2,  
61.14 subdivision 4, paragraph (b), State Trail  
61.15 Acquisition;
- 61.16 (6) Laws 2009, chapter 143, section 2,  
61.17 subdivision 6, paragraph (c), Improving  
61.18 Emerging Fish Disease Surveillance in  
61.19 Minnesota;
- 61.20 (7) Laws 2009, chapter 143, section 2,  
61.21 subdivision 8, paragraph (a), Contract  
61.22 Management; and
- 61.23 (8) Laws 2009, chapter 143, section  
61.24 2, subdivision 8, paragraph (b),  
61.25 Legislative-Citizen Commission on  
61.26 Minnesota Resources (LCCMR) for purposes  
61.27 provided under Minnesota Statutes, section  
61.28 16A.281.
- 61.29 (b) The availability of the appropriation for  
61.30 the following project is extended to June 30,  
61.31 2013:
- 61.32 (1) Laws 2010, chapter 362, section 2,  
61.33 subdivision 8, paragraph (f), Expanding

62.1 Outdoor Classrooms at Minnesota Schools;  
62.2 and  
62.3 (2) Laws 2010, chapter 362, section 2,  
62.4 subdivision 8, paragraph (g), Integrating  
62.5 Environmental and Outdoor Education in  
62.6 Grades 7-12.

62.7 **Subd. 19. Easement Monitoring and**  
62.8 **Enforcement Requirements**

62.9 Money appropriated under this section and  
62.10 adjustments made under subdivision 20 for  
62.11 easement monitoring and enforcement may  
62.12 be spent only on activities included in an  
62.13 easement monitoring and enforcement plan  
62.14 contained within the work program. Money  
62.15 received for monitoring and enforcement,  
62.16 including earnings on the money received,  
62.17 shall be kept in a monitoring and enforcement  
62.18 fund held by the organization and dedicated  
62.19 to monitoring and enforcing conservation  
62.20 easements within Minnesota. Within 120  
62.21 days after the close of the entity's fiscal  
62.22 year, an entity receiving appropriations  
62.23 for easement monitoring and enforcement  
62.24 must provide an annual financial report  
62.25 to the Legislative-Citizen Commission  
62.26 on Minnesota Resources on the easement  
62.27 monitoring and enforcement fund as specified  
62.28 in the work program. Money appropriated  
62.29 under this section for monitoring and  
62.30 enforcement of easements and earnings on  
62.31 the money appropriated shall revert to the  
62.32 state if: (1) the easement transfers to the  
62.33 state; (2) the holder of the easement fails to  
62.34 file an annual report and then fails to cure  
62.35 that default within 30 days of notification  
62.36 of the default by the state; or (3) the holder

63.1 of the easement fails to comply with the  
63.2 terms of the monitoring and enforcement  
63.3 plan contained within the work program and  
63.4 fails to cure that default within 90 days of  
63.5 notification of the default by the state.

63.6 **Subd. 20. Appropriations Adjustment**

63.7 **(a) Metropolitan Conservation Corridors**

63.8 (1) Of the amount appropriated in Laws  
63.9 2003, chapter 128, article 1, section 9,  
63.10 subdivision 5, paragraph (b), up to \$48,000 is  
63.11 for deposit in a monitoring and enforcement  
63.12 account as authorized in subdivision 19.

63.13 (2) Of the amount appropriated in Laws  
63.14 2005, First Special Session, chapter 1, article  
63.15 2, section 11, subdivision 5, paragraph (b),  
63.16 up to \$49,000 is for deposit in a monitoring  
63.17 and enforcement account as authorized in  
63.18 subdivision 19.

63.19 (3) Of the amount appropriated in Laws  
63.20 2007, chapter 30, section 2, subdivision 4,  
63.21 paragraph (c), up to \$59,000 is for deposit  
63.22 in a monitoring and enforcement account as  
63.23 authorized in subdivision 19.

63.24 (4) Of the amount appropriated in Laws  
63.25 2008, chapter 367, section 2, subdivision 3,  
63.26 paragraph (a), up to \$42,000 is for deposit  
63.27 in a monitoring and enforcement account as  
63.28 authorized in subdivision 19.

63.29 (5) Of the amount appropriated in Laws  
63.30 2009, chapter 143, section 2, subdivision 4,  
63.31 paragraph (f), up to \$80,000 is for deposit  
63.32 in a monitoring and enforcement account as  
63.33 authorized in subdivision 19.

64.1 (6) Of the amount appropriated in Laws  
64.2 2010, chapter 362, section 2, subdivision 4,  
64.3 paragraph (g), up to \$10,000 is for deposit  
64.4 in a monitoring and enforcement account as  
64.5 authorized in subdivision 19.

64.6 **(b) Habitat Conservation Partnership**

64.7 (1) Of the amount appropriated in Laws  
64.8 2001, First Special Session chapter 2,  
64.9 section 14, subdivision 4, paragraph (e), up  
64.10 to \$288,000 is for deposit in a monitoring  
64.11 and enforcement account as authorized in  
64.12 subdivision 19.

64.13 (2) Of the amount appropriated in Laws  
64.14 2003, chapter 128, article 1, section 9,  
64.15 subdivision 5, paragraph (a), up to \$78,000 is  
64.16 for deposit in a monitoring and enforcement  
64.17 account as authorized in subdivision 19.

64.18 (3) Of the amount appropriated in Laws 2005,  
64.19 First Special Session chapter 1, section 11,  
64.20 subdivision 5, paragraph (a), up to \$55,000 is  
64.21 for deposit in a monitoring and enforcement  
64.22 account as authorized in subdivision 19.

64.23 (4) Of the amount appropriated in Laws  
64.24 2007, chapter 30, section 2, subdivision 4,  
64.25 paragraph (b), up to \$123,000 is for deposit  
64.26 in a monitoring and enforcement account as  
64.27 authorized in subdivision 19.

64.28 (5) Of the amount appropriated in Laws  
64.29 2008, chapter 367, section 2, subdivision 3,  
64.30 paragraph (c), up to \$120,000 is for deposit  
64.31 in a monitoring and enforcement account as  
64.32 authorized in subdivision 19.

64.33 (6) Of the amount appropriated in Laws  
64.34 2009, chapter 143, section 2, subdivision 4,



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65.1 paragraph (e), up to \$60,000 is for deposit  
65.2 in a monitoring and enforcement account as  
65.3 authorized in subdivision 19.

65.4 (7) Of the amount appropriated in Laws  
65.5 2010, chapter 362, section 2, subdivision 4,  
65.6 paragraph (f), up to \$30,000 is for deposit  
65.7 in a monitoring and enforcement account as  
65.8 authorized in subdivision 19.

65.9 **(c) Preserving the Avon Hills Landscape**

65.10 Of the amount appropriated in Laws 2008,  
65.11 chapter 367, section 2, subdivision 3,  
65.12 paragraph (d), up to \$120,000 is for deposit  
65.13 in a monitoring and enforcement account as  
65.14 authorized in subdivision 19.

65.15 **(d) New Models for Land-Use Planning**

65.16 Of the amount appropriated in Laws 1997,  
65.17 chapter 216, section 15, subdivision 9,  
65.18 paragraph (d), up to \$33,000 is for deposit  
65.19 in a monitoring and enforcement account as  
65.20 authorized in subdivision 19.

65.21 **(e) Conservation-Based Development**

65.22 **Program**

65.23 Of the amount appropriated in Laws 1999,  
65.24 chapter 231, section 16, subdivision 8,  
65.25 paragraph (e), up to \$5,000 is for deposit in  
65.26 a monitoring and enforcement account as  
65.27 authorized in subdivision 19.

65.28 **Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE; RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER APPROPRIATIONS.**

65.29 Unless otherwise specified, this article is effective retroactively from July 1, 2011,  
65.30 and supersedes and replaces funding authorized by order of the Second Judicial District  
65.31 Court in Case No. 62-CV-11-5203. Section 2, subdivision 18, is effective retroactively  
65.32 from June 29, 2011.

ARTICLE 4

STATUTORY CHANGES

Section 1. [16E.0475] ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR TECHNOLOGY STANDARDS FOR ACCESSIBILITY AND USABILITY.

Subdivision 1. **Membership.** (a) The Advisory Committee for Technology Standards for Accessibility and Usability consists of ten members, appointed as follows:

- (1) the state chief information officer, or the state chief information officer's designee;
- (2) a representative from State Services for the Blind, appointed by the commissioner of employment and economic development;
- (3) the commissioner of administration, or the commissioner's designee;
- (4) a representative selected by the Minnesota system of technology to achieve results program;
- (5) a representative selected by the Commission of Deaf, DeafBlind, and Hard-of-Hearing Minnesotans;
- (6) the commissioner of education, or the commissioner's designee;
- (7) the commissioner of health, or the commissioner's designee;
- (8) the commissioner of human services, or the commissioner's designee;
- (9) one representative from the Minnesota judicial system designated by the chief justice; and
- (10) one staff member from the legislature, appointed by the chair of the Legislative Coordinating Commission.

(b) The appointing authorities under this subdivision must use their best efforts to ensure that the membership of the advisory committee includes at least one representative who is deaf, hard-of-hearing, or deafblind and at least one representative who is blind.

(c) The advisory committee shall elect a chair from its membership.

Subd. 2. **Duties.** (a) The advisory committee shall:

- (1) review processes to be used for the evaluation or certification of accessibility of technology against accessibility standards;
- (2) review the exception process and thresholds for any deviation from the accessibility standards;
- (3) identify, in consultation with state agencies serving Minnesotans with disabilities, resources for training and technical assistance for state agency staff, including instruction regarding compliance with accessibility standards;
- (4) convene customer groups composed of individuals with disabilities to assist in implementation of accessibility standards;

67.1 (5) review customer comments about accessibility and usability issues collected  
67.2 by State Services for the Blind;

67.3 (6) develop proposals for funding captioning of live videoconferencing, live  
67.4 Webcasts, Web streaming, podcasts, and other emerging technologies;

67.5 (7) provide advice and recommendations regarding the technology accessibility  
67.6 program operation and objectives;

67.7 (8) review and make recommendations regarding individual agency accessibility  
67.8 plans;

67.9 (9) review and make recommendations regarding new or amended accessibility  
67.10 standards and policies;

67.11 (10) review and make recommendations regarding assessments of progress in  
67.12 implementing accessibility standards; and

67.13 (11) consult with the chief information officer, if the chief information officer  
67.14 determines that any accessibility standard poses an undue burden to the state.

67.15 (b) The advisory committee shall report to the chairs and ranking minority members  
67.16 of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over state technology systems by January  
67.17 15 each year regarding the findings, progress, and recommendations made by the advisory  
67.18 committee under this subdivision. The report shall include any draft legislation necessary  
67.19 to implement the committee's recommendations.

67.20 Subd. 3. **Terms, compensation, and removal.** The terms, compensation, and  
67.21 removal of members are governed by section 15.059.

67.22 Subd. 4. **Expiration.** This section expires June 30, 2013.

67.23 **Sec. 2. [84.0264] FEDERAL LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUNDS.**

67.24 Subdivision 1. **Designated agency.** The Department of Natural Resources  
67.25 is designated as the state agency to apply for, accept, receive, and disburse federal  
67.26 reimbursement funds and private funds that are granted to the state of Minnesota from  
67.27 section 6 of the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund Act.

67.28 Subd. 2. **State land and water conservation account.** A state land and water  
67.29 conservation account is created in the natural resources fund. All of the money made  
67.30 available to the state from funds granted under subdivision 1 shall be deposited in the  
67.31 state land and water conservation account.

67.32 Subd. 3. **Local share.** Fifty percent of all money made available to the state  
67.33 from funds granted under subdivision 1 shall be distributed for projects to be acquired,  
67.34 developed, and maintained by local units of government, provided that any project  
67.35 approved is consistent with a statewide or a county or regional recreational plan and

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68.1 compatible with the statewide recreational plan. All money received by the commissioner  
68.2 for local units of government is appropriated annually to carry out the purposes for which  
68.3 the funds are received.

68.4 Subd. 4. **State share.** Fifty percent of the money made available to the state from  
68.5 funds granted under subdivision 1 shall be used for state land acquisition and development  
68.6 for the state outdoor recreation system under chapter 86A and the administrative expenses  
68.7 necessary to maintain eligibility for the federal land and water conservation fund.

68.8 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 84D.15, subdivision 2, as amended by Laws  
68.9 2011, chapter 107, section 35, is amended to read:

68.10 Subd. 2. **Receipts.** Money received from surcharges on watercraft licenses under  
68.11 section 86B.415, subdivision 7, civil penalties under section 84D.13, and service provider  
68.12 permits under section 84D.108, shall be deposited in the invasive species account. Each  
68.13 year, the commissioner of management and budget shall transfer from the game and  
68.14 fish fund to the invasive species account, the annual surcharge collected on nonresident  
68.15 fishing licenses under section 97A.475, subdivision 7, paragraph (b). ~~In fiscal years 2010~~  
68.16 ~~and 2011~~ Each fiscal year, the commissioner of management and budget shall transfer  
68.17 ~~\$725,000~~ \$750,000 from the water recreation account under section 86B.706 to the  
68.18 invasive species account.

68.19 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 85.052, subdivision 4, as amended by Laws  
68.20 2011, chapter 98, section 1, is amended to read:

68.21 Subd. 4. **Deposit of fees.** (a) Fees paid for providing contracted products and  
68.22 services within a state park, state recreation area, or wayside, and for special state park  
68.23 uses under this section shall be deposited in the natural resources fund and credited to a  
68.24 state parks account.

68.25 (b) Gross receipts derived from sales, rentals, or leases of natural resources within  
68.26 state parks, recreation areas, and waysides, other than those on trust fund lands, must be  
68.27 deposited in the state treasury and credited to the state parks working capital account.  
68.28 ~~The appropriation under section 85.22 for revenue deposited in this section is limited to~~  
68.29 ~~\$25,000 per fiscal year.~~

68.30 (c) Notwithstanding paragraph (b), the gross receipts from the sale of stockpile  
68.31 materials, aggregate, or other earth materials from the Iron Range Off-Highway Vehicle  
68.32 Recreation Area shall be deposited in the dedicated accounts in the natural resources fund  
68.33 from which the purchase of the stockpile material was made. Notwithstanding paragraph  
68.34 (b), the payments made under section 93.22, subdivision 1, paragraph (c), pursuant to a

69.1 state mineral lease on lands and mineral rights purchased for and within the Iron Range  
69.2 Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Area shall be deposited in the dedicated accounts in the  
69.3 natural resources fund from which the purchase of the lands was made.

69.4 Sec. 5. **[89.0385] FOREST MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT ACCOUNT; COST**  
69.5 **CERTIFICATION.**

69.6 (a) After each fiscal year, the commissioner shall certify the total costs incurred for  
69.7 forest management, forest improvement, and road improvement on state-managed lands  
69.8 during that year. The commissioner shall distribute forest management receipts credited to  
69.9 various accounts according to this section.

69.10 (b) The amount of the certified costs incurred for forest management activities  
69.11 on state lands shall be transferred from the account where receipts are deposited to the  
69.12 forest management investment account in the natural resources fund, except for those  
69.13 costs certified under section 16A.125. Transfers in a fiscal year cannot exceed receipts  
69.14 credited to the account.

69.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

69.16 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 89.039, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

69.17 Subdivision 1. **Account established; sources.** The forest management investment  
69.18 account is created in the natural resources fund in the state treasury and money in the  
69.19 account may be spent only for the purposes provided in subdivision 2. The following  
69.20 revenue shall be deposited in the forest management investment account:

69.21 (1) timber sales receipts transferred from the consolidated conservation areas  
69.22 account as provided in section 84A.51, subdivision 2;

69.23 (2) timber sales receipts from forest lands as provided in section 89.035;

69.24 (3) money transferred from the forest suspense account according to section  
69.25 16A.125, subdivision 5; ~~and~~

69.26 (4) interest accruing from investment of the account; ~~and~~ and

69.27 (5) money transferred from other accounts according to section 89.0385.

69.28 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 89.21, is amended to read:

69.29 **89.21 CAMPGROUNDS, ESTABLISHMENT AND FEES.**

69.30 (a) The commissioner is authorized to establish and develop state forest  
69.31 campgrounds and may establish minimum standards not inconsistent with the laws of the

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70.1 state for the care and use of such campgrounds and charge fees for such uses as specified  
70.2 by the commissioner of natural resources.

70.3 (b) Notwithstanding section 16A.1283, the commissioner shall, by written order,  
70.4 establish fees providing for the use of state forest campgrounds. The fees are not subject  
70.5 to the rulemaking provisions of chapter 14 and section 14.386 does not apply.

70.6 (c) All fees shall be deposited in ~~the general fund~~ an account in the natural resources  
70.7 fund and are appropriated annually to the commissioner.

70.8 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 93.481, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

70.9 Subd. 7. **Mining administration account.** The mining administration account is  
70.10 established as an account in the natural resources fund. Fees charged to owners, operators,  
70.11 or managers of mines under this section and section 93.482 shall be credited to the account  
70.12 and ~~may be~~ are appropriated to the commissioner to cover the costs of providing and  
70.13 monitoring permits to mine. Earnings accruing from investment of the account remain  
70.14 with the account until appropriated.

70.15 Sec. 9. **[97A.052] PEACE OFFICER TRAINING ACCOUNT.**

70.16 Subdivision 1. **Account established; sources.** The peace officer training account is  
70.17 created in the game and fish fund in the state treasury. Revenue from the portion of the  
70.18 surcharges assessed to criminal and traffic offenders in section 357.021, subdivision 7,  
70.19 clause (1), shall be deposited in the account. Money in the account may be spent only  
70.20 for the purposes provided in subdivision 2.

70.21 Subd. 2. **Purposes of account.** Money in the peace officer training account  
70.22 may only be spent by the commissioner for peace officer training for employees of the  
70.23 Department of Natural Resources who are licensed under sections 626.84 to 626.863  
70.24 to enforce game and fish laws.

70.25 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

70.26 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.055, is amended by adding a  
70.27 subdivision to read:

70.28 Subd. 2b. **Certified costs.** Money for the certified costs under section 89.0385  
70.29 is transferred annually for reimbursement of certified costs on state lands acquired by  
70.30 purchase or gift for game and fish purposes.

70.31 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.071, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Revenue from small game license surcharge and lifetime licenses.**

Revenue from the small game surcharge and \$6.50 annually from the lifetime fish and wildlife trust fund, established in section 97A.4742, for each license issued under sections 97A.473, subdivisions 3 and 5, and 97A.474, subdivision 3, shall be credited to the wildlife acquisition account and is appropriated to the commissioner. The money in the account shall be used by the commissioner only for the purposes of this section, and acquisition and development of wildlife lands under section 97A.145 and maintenance of the lands, in accordance with appropriations made by the legislature.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.075, is amended to read:

**97A.075 USE OF LICENSE REVENUES.**

Subdivision 1. **Deer, bear, and lifetime licenses.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision, "deer license" means a license issued under section 97A.475, subdivisions 2, clauses (5), (6), (7), (13), (14), and (15), and 3, clauses (2), (3), (4), (10), (11), and (12), and licenses issued under section 97B.301, subdivision 4.

(b) \$2 from each annual deer license and \$2 annually from the lifetime fish and wildlife trust fund, established in section 97A.4742, for each license issued under section 97A.473, subdivision 4, shall be credited to the deer management account and ~~shall be used~~ is appropriated to the commissioner for deer habitat improvement or deer management programs.

(c) \$1 from each annual deer license and each bear license and \$1 annually from the lifetime fish and wildlife trust fund, established in section 97A.4742, for each license issued under section 97A.473, subdivision 4, shall be credited to the deer and bear management account and ~~shall be used~~ is appropriated to the commissioner for deer and bear management programs, including a computerized licensing system.

(d) Fifty cents from each deer license is credited to the emergency deer feeding and wild cervidae health management account and is appropriated for emergency deer feeding and wild cervidae health management. Money appropriated for emergency deer feeding and wild cervidae health management is available until expended. The commissioner must inform the legislative chairs of the natural resources finance committees every two years on how the money for emergency deer feeding and wild cervidae health management has been spent.

When the unencumbered balance in the appropriation for emergency deer feeding and wild cervidae health management exceeds \$2,500,000 at the end of a fiscal year, the unencumbered balance in excess of \$2,500,000 is canceled and available for deer and bear management programs and computerized licensing.

Subd. 2. **Minnesota migratory waterfowl stamp.** (a) Ninety percent of the revenue from the Minnesota migratory waterfowl stamps must be credited to the waterfowl habitat improvement account. ~~Money in the account may be used~~ and is appropriated to the commissioner only for:

(1) development of wetlands and lakes in the state and designated waterfowl management lakes for maximum migratory waterfowl production including habitat evaluation, the construction of dikes, water control structures and impoundments, nest cover, rough fish barriers, acquisition of sites and facilities necessary for development and management of existing migratory waterfowl habitat and the designation of waters under section 97A.101;

(2) management of migratory waterfowl;

(3) development, restoration, maintenance, or preservation of migratory waterfowl habitat;

(4) acquisition of and access to structure sites; and

(5) the promotion of waterfowl habitat development and maintenance, including promotion and evaluation of government farm program benefits for waterfowl habitat.

(b) Money in the account may not be used for costs unless they are directly related to a specific parcel of land or body of water under paragraph (a), clause (1), (3), (4), or (5), or to specific management activities under paragraph (a), clause (2).

Subd. 3. **Trout and salmon stamp.** (a) Ninety percent of the revenue from trout and salmon stamps must be credited to the trout and salmon management account. ~~Money in the account may be used~~ and is appropriated to the commissioner only for:

(1) the development, restoration, maintenance, improvement, protection, and preservation of habitat for trout and salmon in trout streams and lakes, including, but not limited to, evaluating habitat; stabilizing eroding stream banks; adding fish cover; modifying stream channels; managing vegetation to protect, shade, or reduce runoff on stream banks; and purchasing equipment to accomplish these tasks;

(2) rearing trout and salmon, including utility and service costs associated with coldwater hatchery buildings and systems; stocking trout and salmon in streams and lakes and Lake Superior; and monitoring and evaluating stocked trout and salmon;

(3) acquisition of easements and fee title along trout waters;

(4) identifying easement and fee title areas along trout waters; and

(5) research and special management projects on trout streams, trout lakes, and Lake Superior and portions of its tributaries.

(b) Money in the account may not be used for costs unless they are directly related to a specific parcel of land or body of water under paragraph (a), to specific fish rearing



activities under paragraph (a), clause (2), or for costs associated with supplies and equipment to implement trout and salmon management activities under paragraph (a).

Subd. 4. **Pheasant stamp.** (a) Ninety percent of the revenue from pheasant stamps must be credited to the pheasant habitat improvement account. ~~Money in the account may be used~~ and is appropriated to the commissioner only for:

(1) the development, restoration, and maintenance of suitable habitat for ringnecked pheasants on public and private land including the establishment of nesting cover, winter cover, and reliable food sources;

(2) reimbursement of landowners for setting aside lands for pheasant habitat;

(3) reimbursement of expenditures to provide pheasant habitat on public and private land;

(4) the promotion of pheasant habitat development and maintenance, including promotion and evaluation of government farm program benefits for pheasant habitat; and

(5) the acquisition of lands suitable for pheasant habitat management and public hunting.

(b) Money in the account may not be used for:

(1) costs unless they are directly related to a specific parcel of land under paragraph (a), clause (1), (3), or (5), or to specific promotional or evaluative activities under paragraph (a), clause (4); or

(2) any personnel costs, except that prior to July 1, 2019, personnel may be hired to provide technical and promotional assistance for private landowners to implement conservation provisions of state and federal programs.

Subd. 5. **Turkey account.** (a) \$4.50 from each turkey license sold, except youth licenses under section 97A.475, subdivision 2, clause (4), and subdivision 3, clause (7), must be credited to the wild turkey management account. ~~Money in the account may be used~~ and is appropriated to the commissioner only for:

(1) the development, restoration, and maintenance of suitable habitat for wild turkeys on public and private land including forest stand improvement and establishment of nesting cover, winter roost area, and reliable food sources;

(2) acquisitions of, or easements on, critical wild turkey habitat;

(3) reimbursement of expenditures to provide wild turkey habitat on public and private land;

(4) trapping and transplantation of wild turkeys; and

(5) the promotion of turkey habitat development and maintenance, population surveys and monitoring, and research.

(b) Money in the account may not be used for:

(1) costs unless they are directly related to a specific parcel of land under paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (3), a specific trap and transplant project under paragraph (a), clause (4), or to specific promotional or evaluative activities under paragraph (a), clause (5); or

(2) any permanent personnel costs.

Subd. 6. **Walleye stamp.** (a) Revenue from walleye stamps must be credited to the walleye stamp account. ~~Money in the account must be used~~ and is appropriated to the commissioner only for stocking walleye in waters of the state and related activities.

(b) Money in the account may not be used for costs unless they are directly related to a specific body of water under paragraph (a), or for costs associated with supplies and equipment to implement walleye stocking activities under paragraph (a).

Sec. 13. **[103G.27] WATER MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT.**

Subdivision 1. Account established; sources. The water management account is created in the natural resources fund in the state treasury. Revenues collected from permit application fees, water use fees, field inspection fees, penalties, and other receipts according to sections 103G.271 and 103G.301 shall be deposited in the account. Interest earned on money in the account accrues to the account.

Subd. 2. Purposes of account. Money in the water management account may be spent only for the costs associated with administering this chapter.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 103G.271, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Water use permit processing fee.** (a) Except as described in paragraphs (b) to (f), a water use permit processing fee must be prescribed by the commissioner in accordance with the schedule of fees in this subdivision for each water use permit in force at any time during the year. Fees collected under this paragraph are credited to the water management account in the natural resources fund. The schedule is as follows, with the stated fee in each clause applied to the total amount appropriated:

(1) \$140 for amounts not exceeding 50,000,000 gallons per year;

(2) \$3.50 per 1,000,000 gallons for amounts greater than 50,000,000 gallons but less than 100,000,000 gallons per year;

(3) \$4 per 1,000,000 gallons for amounts greater than 100,000,000 gallons but less than 150,000,000 gallons per year;

(4) \$4.50 per 1,000,000 gallons for amounts greater than 150,000,000 gallons but less than 200,000,000 gallons per year;

(5) \$5 per 1,000,000 gallons for amounts greater than 200,000,000 gallons but less than 250,000,000 gallons per year;

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75.1 (6) \$5.50 per 1,000,000 gallons for amounts greater than 250,000,000 gallons but  
75.2 less than 300,000,000 gallons per year;

75.3 (7) \$6 per 1,000,000 gallons for amounts greater than 300,000,000 gallons but less  
75.4 than 350,000,000 gallons per year;

75.5 (8) \$6.50 per 1,000,000 gallons for amounts greater than 350,000,000 gallons but  
75.6 less than 400,000,000 gallons per year;

75.7 (9) \$7 per 1,000,000 gallons for amounts greater than 400,000,000 gallons but less  
75.8 than 450,000,000 gallons per year;

75.9 (10) \$7.50 per 1,000,000 gallons for amounts greater than 450,000,000 gallons but  
75.10 less than 500,000,000 gallons per year; and

75.11 (11) \$8 per 1,000,000 gallons for amounts greater than 500,000,000 gallons per year.

75.12 (b) For once-through cooling systems, a water use processing fee must be prescribed  
75.13 by the commissioner in accordance with the following schedule of fees for each water use  
75.14 permit in force at any time during the year:

75.15 (1) for nonprofit corporations and school districts, \$200 per 1,000,000 gallons; and

75.16 (2) for all other users, \$420 per 1,000,000 gallons.

75.17 (c) The fee is payable based on the amount of water appropriated during the year  
75.18 and, except as provided in paragraph (f), the minimum fee is \$100.

75.19 (d) For water use processing fees other than once-through cooling systems:

75.20 (1) the fee for a city of the first class may not exceed \$250,000 per year;

75.21 (2) the fee for other entities for any permitted use may not exceed:

75.22 (i) \$60,000 per year for an entity holding three or fewer permits;

75.23 (ii) \$90,000 per year for an entity holding four or five permits; or

75.24 (iii) \$300,000 per year for an entity holding more than five permits;

75.25 (3) the fee for agricultural irrigation may not exceed \$750 per year;

75.26 (4) the fee for a municipality that furnishes electric service and cogenerates steam  
75.27 for home heating may not exceed \$10,000 for its permit for water use related to the  
75.28 cogeneration of electricity and steam; and

75.29 (5) no fee is required for a project involving the appropriation of surface water to  
75.30 prevent flood damage or to remove flood waters during a period of flooding, as determined  
75.31 by the commissioner.

75.32 (e) Failure to pay the fee is sufficient cause for revoking a permit. A penalty of two  
75.33 percent per month calculated from the original due date must be imposed on the unpaid  
75.34 balance of fees remaining 30 days after the sending of a second notice of fees due. A fee  
75.35 may not be imposed on an agency, as defined in section 16B.01, subdivision 2, or federal  
75.36 governmental agency holding a water appropriation permit.

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(f) The minimum water use processing fee for a permit issued for irrigation of agricultural land is \$20 for years in which:

(1) there is no appropriation of water under the permit; or

(2) the permit is suspended for more than seven consecutive days between May 1 and October 1.

(g) A surcharge of \$30 per million gallons in addition to the fee prescribed in paragraph (a) shall be applied to the volume of water used in each of the months of June, July, and August that exceeds the volume of water used in January for municipal water use, irrigation of golf courses, and landscape irrigation. The surcharge for municipalities with more than one permit shall be determined based on the total appropriations from all permits that supply a common distribution system.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 103G.301, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 8. **Deposit of fees.** Fees collected under this section must be credited to the water management account in the natural resources fund.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 103G.615, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Fees.** (a) The commissioner shall establish a fee schedule for permits to control or harvest aquatic plants other than wild rice. The fees must be set by rule, and section 16A.1283 does not apply, but the rule must not take effect until 45 legislative days after it has been reported to the legislature. The fees shall not exceed \$2,500 per permit and shall be based upon the cost of receiving, processing, analyzing, and issuing the permit, and additional costs incurred after the application to inspect and monitor the activities authorized by the permit, and enforce aquatic plant management rules and permit requirements.

(b) A fee for a permit for the control of rooted aquatic vegetation for each contiguous parcel of shoreline owned by an owner may be charged. This fee may not be charged for permits issued in connection with purple loosestrife control or lakewide Eurasian water milfoil control programs.

(c) A fee may not be charged to the state or a federal governmental agency applying for a permit.

(d) A fee for a permit for the control of rooted aquatic vegetation in a public water basin that is 20 acres or less in size shall be one-half of the fee established under paragraph (a).

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(e) The money received for the permits under this subdivision shall be deposited in the treasury and credited to the water recreation account.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 115A.1314, is amended to read:

**115A.1314 MANUFACTURER'S REGISTRATION FEE; ~~CREATION OF~~  
ACCOUNT.**

Subdivision 1. **Registration fee.** (a) Each manufacturer who registers under section 115A.1312 must, by September 1, 2007, and each year thereafter, pay to the commissioner of revenue an annual registration fee. The commissioner of revenue must deposit the fee in the ~~account established in subdivision 2~~ state treasury and credit the fee to the environmental fund.

~~(b) The registration fee for the initial program year during which a manufacturer's video display devices are sold to households is \$5,000. Each year thereafter, The~~  
registration fee is equal to a base fee of \$2,500, plus a variable recycling fee calculated according to the formula:

$((A \times B) - (C + D)) \times E$ , where:

(1) A = the number of pounds of a manufacturer's video display devices sold to households during the previous program year, as reported to the department under section 115A.1316, subdivision 1;

(2) B = the proportion of sales of video display devices required to be recycled, set at 0.6 for the first program year and 0.8 for the second program year and every year thereafter;

(3) C = the number of pounds of covered electronic devices recycled by a manufacturer from households during the previous program year, as reported to the department under section 115A.1316, subdivision 1;

(4) D = the number of recycling credits a manufacturer elects to use to calculate the variable recycling fee, as reported to the department under section 115A.1316, subdivision 1; and

(5) E = the estimated per-pound cost of recycling, initially set at \$0.50 per pound for manufacturers who recycle less than 50 percent of the product (A x B); \$0.40 per pound for manufacturers who recycle at least 50 percent but less than 90 percent of the product (A x B); and \$0.30 per pound for manufacturers who recycle at least 90 percent but less than 100 percent of the product (A x B).

(c) If, as specified in paragraph (b), the term  $C - (A \times B)$  equals a positive number of pounds, that amount is defined as the manufacturer's recycling credits. A manufacturer may retain recycling credits to be added, in whole or in part, to the actual value of C, as reported under section 115A.1316, subdivision 2, during any succeeding program year,

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provided that no more than 25 percent of a manufacturer's obligation (A x B) for any program year may be met with recycling credits generated in a prior program year. A manufacturer may sell any portion or all of its recycling credits to another manufacturer, at a price negotiated by the parties, who may use the credits in the same manner.

(d) For the purpose of calculating a manufacturer's variable recycling fee under paragraph (b), the weight of covered electronic devices collected from households located outside the 11-county metropolitan area, as defined in subdivision 2, paragraph (c), is calculated at 1.5 times their actual weight.

(e) The registration fee for the initial program year and the base registration fee thereafter for a manufacturer who produces fewer than 100 video display devices for sale annually to households is \$1,250.

Subd. 2. ~~Creation of account; appropriations~~ Use of registration fees. ~~(a) The electronic waste account is established in the environmental fund. The commissioner of revenue must deposit receipts from the fee established in subdivision 1 in the account. Any interest earned on the account must be credited to the account. Money from other sources may be credited to the account. Beginning in the second program year and continuing each program year thereafter, as of the last day of each program year, the commissioner shall determine the total amount of the variable fees that were collected. To the extent that the total fees collected by the commissioner in connection with this section exceed the amount the commissioner determines necessary to operate the program for the new program year, the commissioner shall refund on a pro rata basis, to all manufacturers who paid any fees for the previous program year, the amount of fees collected by the commissioner in excess of the amount necessary to operate the program for the new program year. No individual refund is required of amounts of \$100 or less for a fiscal year. Manufacturers who report collections less than 50 percent of their obligation for the previous program year are not eligible for a refund.~~

~~(b) Until June 30, 2011, money in the account is annually appropriated to the Pollution Control Agency.~~ (a) Registration fees may be used by the commissioner for:

(1) ~~for the purpose of~~ implementing sections 115A.1312 to 115A.1330, including transfer to the commissioner of revenue to carry out the department's duties under section 115A.1320, subdivision 2, and transfer to the commissioner of administration for responsibilities under section 115A.1324; and

(2) ~~to the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency to be distributed on a competitive basis through contracts with grants to~~ counties outside the 11-county metropolitan area, as defined in paragraph ~~(c)~~ (b), and ~~with~~ to private entities that collect for recycling covered electronic devices in counties outside the 11-county metropolitan

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79.1 area, where the collection and recycling is consistent with the respective county's solid  
79.2 waste plan, for the purpose of carrying out the activities under sections 115A.1312 to  
79.3 115A.1330. In awarding competitive grants under this clause, the commissioner must  
79.4 give preference to counties and private entities that are working cooperatively with  
79.5 manufacturers to help them meet their recycling obligations under section 115A.1318,  
79.6 subdivision 1.

79.7 ~~(e)~~ (b) The 11-county metropolitan area consists of the counties of Anoka, Carver,  
79.8 Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, Isanti, Ramsey, Scott, Sherburne, Washington, and Wright.

79.9 Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 115A.1320, subdivision 1, is amended to  
79.10 read:

79.11 Subdivision 1. **Duties of the agency.** (a) The agency shall administer sections  
79.12 115A.1310 to 115A.1330.

79.13 (b) The agency shall establish procedures for:

79.14 (1) receipt and maintenance of the registration statements and certifications filed  
79.15 with the agency under section 115A.1312; and

79.16 (2) making the statements and certifications easily available to manufacturers,  
79.17 retailers, and members of the public.

79.18 (c) The agency shall annually review the value of the following variables that are  
79.19 part of the formula used to calculate a manufacturer's annual registration fee under section  
79.20 115A.1314, subdivision 1:

79.21 (1) the proportion of sales of video display devices sold to households that  
79.22 manufacturers are required to recycle;

79.23 (2) the estimated per-pound price of recycling covered electronic devices sold to  
79.24 households;

79.25 (3) the base registration fee; and

79.26 (4) the multiplier established for the weight of covered electronic devices collected  
79.27 in section 115A.1314, subdivision 1, paragraph (d). If the agency determines that any of  
79.28 these values must be changed in order to improve the efficiency or effectiveness of the  
79.29 activities regulated under sections 115A.1312 to 115A.1330 ~~or if the revenues in the~~  
79.30 ~~account exceed the amount that the agency determines is necessary,~~ the agency shall  
79.31 submit recommended changes and the reasons for them to the chairs of the senate and  
79.32 house of representatives committees with jurisdiction over solid waste policy.

79.33 (d) By January 15 each year, beginning in 2008, the agency shall calculate estimated  
79.34 sales of video display devices sold to households by each manufacturer during the

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preceding program year, based on national sales data, and forward the estimates to the department.

~~(e) The agency shall manage the account established in section 115A.1314, subdivision 2. If the revenues in the account exceed the amount that the agency determines is necessary for efficient and effective administration of the program, including any amount for contingencies, the agency must recommend to the legislature that the base registration fee, the proportion of sales of video display devices required to be recycled, or the estimated per pound cost of recycling established under section 115A.1314, subdivision 1, paragraph (b), or any combination thereof, be lowered in order to reduce revenues collected in the subsequent program year by the estimated amount of the excess.~~

~~(f)~~ (e) On or before December 1, 2010, and each year thereafter, the agency shall provide a report to the governor and the legislature on the implementation of sections 115A.1310 to 115A.1330. For each program year, the report must discuss the total weight of covered electronic devices recycled and a summary of information in the reports submitted by manufacturers and recyclers under section 115A.1316. The report must also discuss the various collection programs used by manufacturers to collect covered electronic devices; information regarding covered electronic devices that are being collected by persons other than registered manufacturers, collectors, and recyclers; and information about covered electronic devices, if any, being disposed of in landfills in this state. The report must include a description of enforcement actions under sections 115A.1310 to 115A.1330. The agency may include in its report other information received by the agency regarding the implementation of sections 115A.1312 to 115A.1330.

~~(g)~~ (f) The agency shall promote public participation in the activities regulated under sections 115A.1312 to 115A.1330 through public education and outreach efforts.

~~(h)~~ (g) The agency shall enforce sections 115A.1310 to 115A.1330 in the manner provided by sections 115.071, subdivisions 1, 3, 4, 5, and 6; and 116.072, except for those provisions enforced by the department, as provided in subdivision 2. The agency may revoke a registration of a collector or recycler found to have violated sections 115A.1310 to 115A.1330.

~~(i)~~ (h) The agency shall facilitate communication between counties, collection and recycling centers, and manufacturers to ensure that manufacturers are aware of video display devices available for recycling.

~~(j)~~ (i) The agency shall develop a form retailers must use to report information to manufacturers under section 115A.1318 and post it on the agency's Web site.

~~(k)~~ (j) The agency shall post on its Web site the contact information provided by each manufacturer under section 115A.1318, paragraph (e).



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81.1 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 115C.09, subdivision 3c, is amended to read:

81.2 Subd. 3c. **Release at refineries and tank facilities not eligible for reimbursement.**

81.3 (a) Reimbursement may not be made under this chapter for costs associated with a release:

81.4 (1) from a tank located at a petroleum refinery; or

81.5 (2) from a tank facility, including a pipeline terminal, with more than 1,000,000  
81.6 gallons of total petroleum storage capacity at the tank facility.

81.7 (b) Paragraph (a), clause (2), does not apply to reimbursement for costs associated  
81.8 with a release from a tank facility:

81.9 (1) owned or operated by a person engaged in the business of mining iron ore or  
81.10 taconite;

81.11 (2) owned by a political subdivision, a housing and redevelopment authority, an  
81.12 economic development authority, or a port authority that acquired the tank facility prior  
81.13 to May 23, 1989; ~~or~~

81.14 (3) owned by a person:

81.15 (i) who acquired the tank facility prior to May 23, 1989;

81.16 (ii) who did not use the tank facility for the bulk storage of petroleum; and

81.17 (iii) who is not affiliated with the party who used the tank facility for the bulk  
81.18 storage of petroleum; or

81.19 (4) that is not a petroleum refinery or pipeline terminal and is owned by a person  
81.20 engaged in the business of storing used oil primarily for sales to end users.

81.21 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 115C.13, is amended to read:

81.22 **115C.13 REPEALER.**

81.23 Sections 115C.01, 115C.02, 115C.021, 115C.03, 115C.04, 115C.045, 115C.05,  
81.24 115C.06, 115C.065, 115C.07, 115C.08, 115C.09, 115C.093, 115C.094, 115C.10, 115C.11,  
81.25 115C.111, 115C.112, 115C.113, 115C.12, and 115C.13, are repealed effective June 30,  
81.26 ~~2012~~ 2017.

81.27 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 116.07, subdivision 7c, is amended to read:

81.28 Subd. 7c. **NPDES feedlot permitting requirements.** (a) The agency must issue  
81.29 national pollutant discharge elimination system permits for feedlots ~~with 1,000 animal~~  
81.30 ~~units or more and that meet the definition of a "concentrated animal feeding operation" in~~  
81.31 ~~Code of Federal Regulations, title 40, section 122.23, only as required by federal law. The~~  
81.32 issuance of national pollutant discharge elimination system permits for feedlots must be  
81.33 based on the following:

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(1) a permit for a newly constructed or expanded animal feedlot that is identified as a priority by the commissioner, using criteria ~~established under paragraph (d) in effect on January 1, 2010,~~ must be issued as an individual permit;

(2) ~~after January 1, 2001,~~ an existing feedlot that is identified as a priority by the commissioner, using criteria ~~established under paragraph (e) in effect on January 1, 2010,~~ must be issued as an individual permit; and

(3) the agency must issue a general national pollutant discharge elimination system permit, if required, for animal feedlots that are not identified under clause (1) or (2).

(b) Prior to the issuance of a general national pollutant discharge elimination system permit for a category of animal feedlot facility permittees, the agency must hold at least one public hearing on the permit issuance.

(c) To the extent practicable, the agency must include a public notice and comment period for an individual national pollutant discharge elimination system permit concurrent with any public notice and comment for:

(1) the purpose of environmental review of the same facility under chapter 116D; or

(2) the purpose of obtaining a conditional use permit from a local unit of government where the local government unit is the responsible governmental unit for purposes of environmental review under chapter 116D.

~~(d) The commissioner, in consultation with the Feedlot and Manure Management Advisory Committee, created under section 17.136, and other interested parties must develop criteria for determining whether an individual national pollutant discharge elimination system permit is required under paragraph (a), clause (1). The criteria must be based on proximity to waters of the state, facility design, and other site-specific environmental factors.~~

~~(e) The commissioner, in consultation with the Feedlot and Manure Management Advisory Committee, created under section 17.136, and other interested parties must develop criteria for determining whether an individual national pollutant discharge elimination system permit is required for an existing animal feedlot, under paragraph (a), clause (2). The criteria must be based on violations and other compliance problems at the facility.~~

~~(f) The commissioner, in consultation with the Feedlot and Manure Management Advisory Committee, created under section 17.136, and other interested parties must develop criteria for determining when an individual national pollutant discharge elimination system permit is transferred from individual to general permit status.~~

~~(g) Notwithstanding the provisions in paragraph (a), until January 1, 2001, the commissioner may issue an individual national pollutant discharge elimination system~~

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~~permit for an animal feedlot. After the general permit is issued and the criteria under paragraphs (d) and (e) are developed, individual permits issued pursuant to this paragraph that do not fit the criteria for an individual permit under the applicable provisions of paragraph (d) or (e) must be transferred to general permit status.~~

~~(h) The commissioner, in consultation with the Feedlot and Manure Management Advisory Committee, created under section 17.136, and other interested parties must develop criteria for determining which feedlots are required to apply for and obtain a national pollutant discharge elimination system permit and which feedlots are required to apply for and obtain a state disposal system permit based upon the actual or potential to discharge. A feedlot owner may choose to apply for a national pollutant discharge elimination system permit even if the feedlot is not required by federal law to have a national pollutant discharge elimination system permit.~~

Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 116.07, subdivision 7d, is amended to read:

Subd. 7d. **Exemption.** (a) Notwithstanding subdivision 7 or Minnesota Rules, chapter 7020, to the contrary, and notwithstanding the proximity to public or private waters, an owner or resident of agricultural land on which livestock have been allowed to pasture ~~as defined by Minnesota Rules, chapter 7020,~~ at any time during the ten-year period beginning January 1, ~~1990~~ 2010, is permanently exempt from requirements related to feedlot or manure management on that land for so long as the property remains in pasture.

(b) For the purposes of this subdivision, "pasture" means areas where livestock graze on grass or other growing plants. Pasture also means agricultural land where livestock are allowed to forage during the winter time and which land is used for cropping purposes in the growing season. In either case, the concentration of animals must be such that a vegetative cover, whether of grass, growing plants, or crops, is maintained during the growing season except in the immediate vicinity of temporary supplemental feeding or watering devices.

Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 116P.05, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Duties.** (a) The commission shall recommend an annual or biennial legislative bill for appropriations from the environment and natural resources trust fund and shall adopt a strategic plan as provided in section 116P.08. Approval of the recommended legislative bill requires an affirmative vote of at least 12 members of the commission.

~~(b) The commission shall recommend expenditures to the legislature from the state land and water conservation account in the natural resources fund.~~

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84.1 ~~(e)~~ It is a condition of acceptance of the appropriations made from the Minnesota  
84.2 environment and natural resources trust fund, and oil overcharge money under section  
84.3 4.071, subdivision 2, that the agency or entity receiving the appropriation must submit  
84.4 a work program and semiannual progress reports in the form determined by the  
84.5 Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources, and comply with applicable  
84.6 reporting requirements under section 116P.16. None of the money provided may be spent  
84.7 unless the commission has approved the pertinent work program.

84.8 ~~(d)~~ (c) The peer review panel created under section 116P.08 must also review,  
84.9 comment, and report to the commission on research proposals applying for an  
84.10 appropriation from the oil overcharge money under section 4.071, subdivision 2.

84.11 ~~(e)~~ (d) The commission may adopt operating procedures to fulfill its duties under  
84.12 this chapter.

84.13 ~~(f)~~ (e) As part of the operating procedures, the commission shall:

84.14 (1) ensure that members' expectations are to participate in all meetings related to  
84.15 funding decision recommendations;

84.16 (2) recommend adequate funding for increased citizen outreach and communications  
84.17 for trust fund expenditure planning;

84.18 (3) allow administrative expenses as part of individual project expenditures based  
84.19 on need;

84.20 (4) provide for project outcome evaluation;

84.21 (5) keep the grant application, administration, and review process as simple as  
84.22 possible; and

84.23 (6) define and emphasize the leveraging of additional sources of money that project  
84.24 proposers should consider when making trust fund proposals.

84.25 Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 290.431, is amended to read:

84.26 **290.431 NONGAME WILDLIFE CHECKOFF.**

84.27 Every individual who files an income tax return or property tax refund claim form  
84.28 may designate on their original return that \$1 or more shall be added to the tax or deducted  
84.29 from the refund that would otherwise be payable by or to that individual and paid into an  
84.30 account to be established for the management of nongame wildlife. The commissioner  
84.31 of revenue shall, on the income tax return and the property tax refund claim form, notify  
84.32 filers of their right to designate that a portion of their tax or refund shall be paid into the  
84.33 nongame wildlife management account. The sum of the amounts so designated to be paid  
84.34 shall be credited to the nongame wildlife management account for use by the nongame  
84.35 program in the Department of Natural Resources. All interest earned on money accrued,

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85.1 gifts to the program, contributions to the program, and reimbursements of expenditures  
85.2 in the nongame wildlife management account shall be credited to the account by the  
85.3 commissioner of management and budget, except that gifts or contributions received  
85.4 directly by the commissioner of natural resources and directed by the contributor for  
85.5 use in specific nongame field projects or geographic areas shall be handled according to  
85.6 section 84.085, subdivision 1. ~~The commissioner of natural resources shall submit a work~~  
85.7 ~~program for each fiscal year and semiannual progress reports to the Legislative-Citizen~~  
85.8 ~~Commission on Minnesota Resources in the form determined by the commission.~~

85.9 The state pledges and agrees with all contributors to the nongame wildlife  
85.10 management account to use the funds contributed solely for the management of nongame  
85.11 wildlife projects and further agrees that it will not impose additional conditions or  
85.12 restrictions that will limit or otherwise restrict the ability of the commissioner of natural  
85.13 resources to use the available funds for the most efficient and effective management of  
85.14 nongame wildlife. The commissioner may use funds appropriated for nongame wildlife  
85.15 programs for the purpose of developing, preserving, restoring, and maintaining wintering  
85.16 habitat for neotropical migrant birds in Latin America and the Caribbean under agreement  
85.17 or contract with any nonprofit organization dedicated to the construction, maintenance, and  
85.18 repair of such projects that are acceptable to the governmental agency having jurisdiction  
85.19 over the land and water affected by the projects. Under this authority, the commissioner  
85.20 may execute agreements and contracts if the commissioner determines that the use of the  
85.21 funds will benefit neotropical migrant birds that breed in or migrate through the state.

85.22 Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 290.432, is amended to read:

85.23 **290.432 CORPORATE NONGAME WILDLIFE CHECKOFF.**

85.24 A corporation that files an income tax return may designate on its original return that  
85.25 \$1 or more shall be added to the tax or deducted from the refund that would otherwise  
85.26 be payable by or to that corporation and paid into the nongame wildlife management  
85.27 account established by section 290.431 for use by the Department of Natural Resources  
85.28 for its nongame wildlife program. The commissioner of revenue shall, on the corporate  
85.29 tax return, notify filers of their right to designate that a portion of their tax return be paid  
85.30 into the nongame wildlife management account for the protection of endangered natural  
85.31 resources. All interest earned on money accrued, gifts to the program, contributions to  
85.32 the program, and reimbursements of expenditures in the nongame wildlife management  
85.33 account shall be credited to the account by the commissioner of management and budget,  
85.34 except that gifts or contributions received directly by the commissioner of natural  
85.35 resources and directed by the contributor for use in specific nongame field projects or

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geographic areas shall be handled according to section 84.085, subdivision 1. ~~The commissioner of natural resources shall submit a work program for each fiscal year to the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources in the form determined by the commission.~~

The state pledges and agrees with all corporate contributors to the nongame wildlife account to use the funds contributed solely for the nongame wildlife program and further agrees that it will not impose additional conditions or restrictions that will limit or otherwise restrict the ability of the commissioner of natural resources to use the available funds for the most efficient and effective management of those programs.

Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 299C.40, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) The definitions in this subdivision apply to this section.

(b) "CIBRS" means the Comprehensive Incident-Based Reporting System, located in the Department of Public Safety and managed by the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension. A reference in this section to "CIBRS" includes the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension.

(c) "Law enforcement agency" means a Minnesota municipal police department, the Metropolitan Transit Police, the Metropolitan Airports Police, the University of Minnesota Police Department, the Department of Corrections Fugitive Apprehension Unit, a Minnesota county sheriff's department, the Enforcement Division of the Department of Natural Resources, the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, or the Minnesota State Patrol.

Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 357.021, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **Disbursement of surcharges by commissioner of management and budget.** (a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b), (c), and (d), the commissioner of management and budget shall disburse surcharges received under subdivision 6 and section 97A.065, subdivision 2, as follows:

(1) one percent shall be credited to the peace officer training account in the game and fish fund to provide peace officer training for employees of the Department of Natural Resources who are licensed under sections 626.84 to 626.863, and who possess peace officer authority for the purpose of enforcing game and fish laws;

(2) 39 percent shall be credited to the peace officers training account in the special revenue fund; and

(3) 60 percent shall be credited to the general fund.

(b) The commissioner of management and budget shall credit \$3 of each surcharge received under subdivision 6 and section 97A.065, subdivision 2, to the general fund.

(c) In addition to any amounts credited under paragraph (a), the commissioner of management and budget shall credit \$47 of each surcharge received under subdivision 6 and section 97A.065, subdivision 2, and the \$12 parking surcharge, to the general fund.

(d) If the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes imposition of the additional \$1 surcharge provided for in subdivision 6, paragraph (a), the court administrator in the Second Judicial District shall transmit the surcharge to the commissioner of management and budget. The \$1 special surcharge is deposited in a Ramsey County surcharge account in the special revenue fund and amounts in the account are appropriated to the trial courts for the administration of the petty misdemeanor diversion program operated by the Second Judicial District Ramsey County Violations Bureau.

Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 609.66, subdivision 1h, is amended to read:

Subd. 1h. **Silencers; authorized for law enforcement and wildlife control purposes.** (a) Notwithstanding subdivision 1a, paragraph (a), clause (1), licensed peace officers may use devices designed to silence or muffle the discharge of a firearm for tactical emergency response operations. Tactical emergency response operations include execution of high risk search and arrest warrants, incidents of terrorism, hostage rescue, and any other tactical deployments involving high risk circumstances. The chief law enforcement officer of a law enforcement agency that has the need to use silencing devices must establish and enforce a written policy governing the use of the devices.

(b) Notwithstanding subdivision 1a, paragraph (a), clause (1), ~~until July 1, 2011,~~ an enforcement officer, as defined in section 97A.015, subdivision 18, a wildlife area manager, an employee designated under section 84.0835, or a person acting under contract with the commissioner of natural resources, at specific times and locations that are authorized by the commissioner of natural resources may use devices designed to silence or muffle the discharge of a firearm for wildlife control operations that require stealth. If the commissioner determines that the use of silencing devices is necessary under this paragraph, the commissioner must:

~~(1) establish and enforce a written policy governing the use, possession, and transportation of the devices;~~

~~(2) limit the number of the silencing devices maintained by the Department of Natural Resources to no more than ten; and~~

~~(3) keep direct custody and control of the devices when the devices are not specifically authorized for use.~~

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Sec. 29. Laws 2005, chapter 156, article 2, section 45, as amended by Laws 2007, chapter 148, article 2, section 73, and Laws 2009, chapter 37, article 1, section 59, is amended to read:

**Sec. 45. SALE OF STATE LAND.**

Subdivision 1. **State land sales.** The commissioner of administration shall coordinate with the head of each department or agency having control of state-owned land to identify and sell at least \$6,440,000 of state-owned land. Sales should be completed according to law and as provided in this section as soon as practicable but no later than June 30, ~~2011~~ 2013. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 16B.281 and 16B.282, 94.09 and 94.10, or any other law to the contrary, the commissioner may offer land for public sale by only providing notice of lands or an offer of sale of lands to state departments or agencies, the University of Minnesota, cities, counties, towns, school districts, or other public entities.

Subd. 2. **Anticipated savings.** Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 94.16, subdivision 3, or other law to the contrary, the amount of the proceeds from the sale of land under this section that exceeds the actual expenses of selling the land must be deposited in the general fund, except as otherwise provided by the commissioner of finance. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 94.11 or 16B.283, the commissioner of finance may establish the timing of payments for land purchased under this section. If the total of all money deposited into the general fund from the proceeds of the sale of land under this section is anticipated to be less than \$6,440,000, the governor must allocate the amount of the difference as reductions to general fund operating expenditures for other executive agencies for the biennium ending June 30, ~~2011~~ 2013.

Subd. 3. **Sale of state lands revolving loan fund.** \$290,000 is appropriated from the general fund in fiscal year 2006 to the commissioner of administration for purposes of paying the actual expenses of selling state-owned lands to achieve the anticipated savings required in this section. From the gross proceeds of land sales under this section, the commissioner of administration must cancel the amount of the appropriation in this subdivision to the general fund by June 30, ~~2011~~ 2013.

**Sec. 30. STATE TREE NURSERY PROGRAM RESTRUCTURING; REPORT REQUIRED.**

(a) Beginning July 1, 2011, the commissioner of natural resources shall limit all new plantings at the Baudora State Nursery to the planting of stock for research or use on public lands or private conservation lands with permanent protection. Excess plant material may be sold or traded to private wholesale nurseries.



(b) By January 15, 2012, the commissioner of natural resources shall submit a budget and financial plan for the state nurseries to the chairs and ranking minority members of the house of representatives and senate committees and divisions with jurisdiction over environment and natural resources policy and finance. The plan shall include a long-term business plan to operate the Baudora State Nursery in a manner that is self-sufficient. The plan shall also include options for the General C.C. Andrews State Nursery.

**Sec. 31. COORDINATION OF MINNESOTA AND WISCONSIN PHOSPHORUS STANDARD; LAKE PEPIN.**

The commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency shall coordinate with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources in establishing a phosphorus standard for Lake Pepin and shall advocate implementation of a phosphorus standard that considers nutrient impacts on algal growth applicable during the June to September growing season only. If necessary, the commissioner may engage in a conference with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources according to section 103 of the Clean Water Act, United States Code, title 33, section 1253, to resolve any discrepancies in the states' respective standards.

**Sec. 32. WILD RICE RULEMAKING AND RESEARCH.**

(a) Upon completion of the research referenced in paragraph (d), the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency shall initiate a process to amend Minnesota Rules, chapter 7050. The amended rule shall:

(1) address water quality standards for waters containing natural beds of wild rice, as well as for irrigation waters used for the production of wild rice;

(2) designate each body of water, or specific portion thereof, to which wild rice water quality standards apply; and

(3) designate the specific times of year during which the standard applies.

Nothing in this paragraph shall prevent the Pollution Control Agency from applying the narrative standard for all class 2 waters established in Minnesota Rules, part 7050.0150, subpart 3.

(b) "Waters containing natural beds of wild rice" means waters where wild rice occurs naturally. Before designating waters containing natural beds of wild rice as waters subject to a standard, the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency shall establish criteria for the waters after consultation with the Department of Natural Resources, Minnesota Indian tribes, and other interested parties and after public notice and comment.

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90.1 The criteria shall include, but not be limited to, history of wild rice harvests, minimum  
90.2 acreage, and wild rice density.

90.3 (c) Within 30 days of the effective date of this section, the commissioner of  
90.4 the Pollution Control Agency must create an advisory group to provide input to the  
90.5 commissioner on a protocol for scientific research to assess the impacts of sulfates and  
90.6 other substances on the growth of wild rice, review research results, and provide other  
90.7 advice on the development of future rule amendments to protect wild rice. The group  
90.8 must include representatives of tribal governments, municipal wastewater treatment  
90.9 facilities, industrial dischargers, wild rice harvesters, wild rice research experts, and  
90.10 citizen organizations.

90.11 (d) After receiving the advice of the advisory group under paragraph (c), consultation  
90.12 with the commissioner of natural resources, and review of all reasonably available and  
90.13 applicable scientific research on water quality and other environmental impacts on the  
90.14 growth of wild rice, the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency shall adopt and  
90.15 implement a wild rice research plan using the money appropriated to contract with  
90.16 appropriate scientific experts. The commissioner shall periodically review the results of  
90.17 the research with the commissioner of natural resources and the advisory group.

90.18 (e) From the date of enactment until the rule amendment under paragraph (a) is  
90.19 finally adopted, to the extent allowable under the federal Clean Water Act or other federal  
90.20 laws, the Pollution Control Agency shall exercise its authority under federal and state laws  
90.21 and regulations to ensure, to the fullest extent possible, that no permittee is required to  
90.22 expend funds for design and implementation of sulfate treatment technologies. Nothing  
90.23 shall prevent the Pollution Control Agency from including in a schedule of compliance a  
90.24 requirement to monitor sulfate concentrations in discharges and, if appropriate, based on  
90.25 site-specific conditions, a requirement to implement a sulfate minimization plan to avoid  
90.26 or minimize sulfate concentrations during periods when wild rice may be susceptible to  
90.27 damage.

90.28 (f) If the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency determines that amendments  
90.29 to Minnesota Rules are necessary to ensure that no permittee is required to expend funds  
90.30 for design and implementation of sulfate treatment technologies until after the rule  
90.31 amendment described in paragraph (a) is complete, the commissioner may use the good  
90.32 cause exemption under Minnesota Statutes, section 14.388, subdivision 1, clause (3), to  
90.33 adopt rules necessary to implement this section, and Minnesota Statutes, section 14.386,  
90.34 does not apply, except as provided in Minnesota Statutes, section 14.388.

90.35 (g) Upon completion of the rule amendment described in paragraph (a), the  
90.36 Pollution Control Agency shall, if necessary, modify the discharge limits in the affected

91.1 wastewater discharge permits to reflect the new standards in accordance with state and  
91.2 federal regulations and shall exercise its powers to enter into schedules of compliance  
91.3 in the permits.

91.4 (h) By December 15, 2011, the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency  
91.5 shall submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the environment and  
91.6 natural resources committees of the house of representatives and senate on the status  
91.7 of implementation of this section. The report must include an estimated timeline for  
91.8 completion of the wild rice research plan and initiation and completion of the formal  
91.9 rulemaking process under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 14.

91.10 Sec. 33. **EVALUATION REQUIRED.**

91.11 (a) The Pollution Control Agency, in conjunction with other water agencies and  
91.12 the University of Minnesota, shall evaluate water-related statutes, rules, and governing  
91.13 structures to streamline, strengthen, and improve sustainable water management.

91.14 (b) The Pollution Control Agency must submit the study results and make  
91.15 recommendations to agencies listed under paragraph (a) and to the chairs and ranking  
91.16 minority party members of the senate and house of representatives committees having  
91.17 primary jurisdiction over environment and natural resources policy and finance no later  
91.18 than January 15, 2013.

91.19 Sec. 34. **MISSISSIPPI RIVER MANAGEMENT PLAN.**

91.20 Notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 6105.0870, subpart 7, development in the  
91.21 area commonly known as the historic village of Dayton shall conform to the general  
91.22 development standards of Minnesota Rules, parts 6120.2600 to 6120.3900, except  
91.23 that marinas shall not be allowed and the provisions and administrative procedures of  
91.24 Minnesota Rules, parts 6105.0010 to 6105.0070 and 6105.0150 to 6105.0250, shall still  
91.25 apply.

91.26 Sec. 35. **REPORT ON PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES FOR STATE NATURAL**  
91.27 **RESOURCE LANDS.**

91.28 By December 1, 2012, the commissioner of natural resources, in cooperation with  
91.29 the commissioners of revenue and management and budget, and stakeholders, including  
91.30 representatives from affected local units of government and other interested parties, shall  
91.31 report to the chairs and ranking minority caucus members of the senate and house of  
91.32 representatives natural resources and tax policy and finance committees with recommended  
91.33 changes to payment in lieu of taxes for natural resource lands under Minnesota Statutes,

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92.1 sections 97A.061 and 477A.11 to 477A.145. The report shall include an analysis of the  
92.2 current payment and distribution system and any recommended changes to:  
92.3 (1) the purpose of the payment system and the criteria for payments;  
92.4 (2) the rate of payments for specific classes of natural resource lands;  
92.5 (3) the adequacy of current funding for payments and the impact of additional land  
92.6 acquisition on the funding;  
92.7 (4) alternative methods of reimbursing local units of governments for state natural  
92.8 resource lands; and  
92.9 (5) the formula for distribution of the payments to local units of government.

92.10 Sec. 36. **REPEALER.**

92.11 Minnesota Statutes 2010, sections 84.027, subdivision 11; and 116P.14, are repealed.

92.12 Sec. 37. **EFFECTIVE DATE; RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER**  
92.13 **APPROPRIATIONS.**

92.14 Unless otherwise specified, this article is effective retroactively from July 1, 2011,  
92.15 and supersedes and replaces funding authorized by order of the Second Judicial District  
92.16 Court in Case No. 62-CV-11-5203.

92.17 **ARTICLE 5**

92.18 **GAME AND FISH POLICY**

92.19 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 3.7371, is amended to read:

92.20 **3.7371 COMPENSATION FOR CROP OR FENCE DAMAGE CAUSED BY**  
92.21 **ELK.**

92.22 Subdivision 1. **Authorization.** Notwithstanding section 3.736, subdivision 3,  
92.23 paragraph (e), or any other law, a person who owns an agricultural crop or pasture shall  
92.24 be compensated by the commissioner of agriculture for an agricultural crop, or fence  
92.25 surrounding the crop or pasture, that is damaged or destroyed by elk as provided in this  
92.26 section.

92.27 Subd. 2. **Claim form.** The crop or pasture owner must prepare a claim on forms  
92.28 provided by the commissioner and available at the county extension agent's office. The  
92.29 claim form must be filed with the commissioner. ~~A claim form may not be filed for crop~~  
92.30 ~~damage or destruction that occurs before June 3, 1987.~~

92.31 Subd. 3. **Compensation.** The crop owner is entitled to the target price or the  
92.32 market price, whichever is greater, of the damaged or destroyed crop plus adjustments

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for yield loss determined according to agricultural stabilization and conservation service programs for individual farms, adjusted annually, as determined by the commissioner, upon recommendation of the county extension agent for the owner's county. Verification of fence damage or destruction by elk may be provided by submitting photographs or other evidence and documentation together with a statement from an independent witness using forms prescribed by the commissioner. The commissioner, upon recommendation of the agent, shall determine whether the crop damage or destruction or damage to or destruction of a fence surrounding a crop or pasture is caused by elk and, if so, the amount of the crop or fence that is damaged or destroyed. In any fiscal year, ~~a crop~~ an owner may not be compensated for a damaged or destroyed crop or fence surrounding a crop or pasture that is less than \$100 in value and may be compensated up to \$20,000, as determined under this section, if normal harvest procedures for the area are followed. In any fiscal year, the commissioner may provide compensation for claims filed under this section up to the amount expressly appropriated for this purpose.

Subd. 4. **Insurance deduction.** Payments authorized by this section must be reduced by amounts received by the owner as proceeds from an insurance policy covering crop losses or damage to or destruction of a fence surrounding a crop or pasture, or from any other source for the same purpose including, but not limited to, a federal program.

Subd. 5. **Decision on claims; opening land to hunting.** If the commissioner finds that the crop or pasture owner has shown that the damage or destruction of the owner's crop or damage to or destruction of a fence surrounding a crop or pasture was caused more probably than not by elk, the commissioner shall pay compensation as provided in this section and the rules of the commissioner. ~~Total compensation to all claimants shall not exceed the amount of funds appropriated for Laws 1987, chapter 373.~~ A crop owner who receives compensation under this section may, by written permission, permit hunting on the land at the landowner's discretion.

Subd. 6. **Denial of claim; appeal.** (a) If the commissioner denies compensation claimed by a crop or pasture owner under this section, the commissioner shall issue a written decision based upon the available evidence including a statement of the facts upon which the decision is based and the conclusions on the material issues of the claim. A copy of the decision must be mailed to the crop or pasture owner.

(b) A decision denying compensation claimed under this section is not subject to the contested case review procedures of chapter 14, but a crop or pasture owner may have the claim reviewed in a trial de novo in a court in the county where the loss occurred. The decision of the court may be appealed as in other civil cases. Review in court may be obtained by filing a petition for review with the administrator of the court within 60

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94.1 days following receipt of a decision under this section. Upon the filing of a petition, the  
94.2 administrator shall mail a copy to the commissioner and set a time for hearing within  
94.3 90 days after the filing.

94.4 Subd. 7. **Rules.** The commissioner shall adopt rules and may ~~adopt emergency~~  
94.5 ~~rules and~~ amend rules to carry out this section. The commissioner may use the expedited  
94.6 rulemaking process in section 14.389 to adopt and amend rules authorized in this section.

94.7 The rules must include:

- 94.8 (1) methods of valuation of crops damaged or destroyed;  
94.9 (2) criteria for determination of the cause of the crop damage or destruction;  
94.10 (3) notice requirements by the owner of the damaged or destroyed crop; ~~and~~  
94.11 (4) compensation rates for fence damage or destruction that shall include a minimum  
94.12 claim of \$75.00 per incident and a maximum of \$1,800 per claimant per fiscal year; and  
94.13 (5) any other matters determined necessary by the commissioner to carry out this  
94.14 section.

94.15 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 16C.055, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

94.16 Subd. 2. **Restriction.** After July 1, 2002, an agency may not enter into a contract or  
94.17 otherwise agree with a nongovernmental entity to receive total nonmonetary consideration  
94.18 valued at more than \$100,000 annually in exchange for the agency providing nonmonetary  
94.19 consideration, unless such an agreement is specifically authorized by law. This subdivision  
94.20 does not apply to the State Lottery or private aquaculture businesses involved in state  
94.21 stocking contracts.

94.22 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 17.4982, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

94.23 Subd. 8. **Containment facility.** "Containment facility" means a licensed facility for  
94.24 salmonids ~~or~~ catfish, or species on the viral hemorrhagic septicemia (VHS) susceptible  
94.25 list published by the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health  
94.26 Inspection Services, that complies with clauses (1), (3), and (4), or clauses (2), (3), and (4):

94.27 (1) disinfects its effluent to the standards in section 17.4991 before the effluent is  
94.28 discharged to public waters;

94.29 (2) does not discharge to public waters or to waters of the state directly connected to  
94.30 public waters;

94.31 (3) raises aquatic life that is prohibited from being released into the wild and must be  
94.32 kept in a facility approved by the commissioner unless processed for food consumption;

94.33 (4) contains aquatic life requiring a fish health inspection prior to transportation.

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95.1 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 17.4982, is amended by adding a subdivision  
95.2 to read:

95.3 Subd. 10a. **Fish collector.** "Fish collector" means an individual who has been  
95.4 certified under section 17.4989 to oversee the collection of fish samples from a facility or  
95.5 a water body for disease testing by a certified laboratory.

95.6 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 17.4982, subdivision 12, is amended to read:

95.7 Subd. 12. **Fish health inspection.** (a) "Fish health inspection" means an on-site,  
95.8 statistically based sampling, collection, and testing of fish in accordance with processes  
95.9 in the Fish Health Blue Book ~~for all lots of fish in a facility~~ or the Diagnostic Manual  
95.10 for Aquatic Animal Diseases, published by the International Office of Epizootics (OIE)  
95.11 to test for causative pathogens. The samples for inspection must be collected by a fish  
95.12 health inspector or a fish collector in cooperation with the producer. Testing of samples  
95.13 must be done by an approved laboratory.

95.14 (b) The inspection for viral hemorrhagic septicemia (VHS), infectious pancreatic  
95.15 necrosis (IPN), and infectious hematopoietic necrosis (IHN) in salmonids and for VHS in  
95.16 nonsalmonids must include at least a minimum viral testing of ovarian fluids at the 95  
95.17 percent confidence level of detecting two percent incidence of disease (~~ovarian fluids must~~  
95.18 ~~be sampled for certification of viral hemorrhagic septicemia and infectious hematopoietic~~  
95.19 ~~necrosis). Bacterial diseases must be sampled at the 95 percent confidence level with a~~  
95.20 ~~five percent incidence of disease. The inspection must be performed by a fish health~~  
95.21 ~~inspector in cooperation with the producer with subsequent examination of the collected~~  
95.22 ~~tissues and fluids for the detection of certifiable diseases.~~

95.23 (c) The inspection for certifiable diseases for wild fish must follow the guidelines of  
95.24 the Fish Health Blue Book or the Diagnostic Manual for Aquatic Animal Diseases.

95.25 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 17.4982, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

95.26 Subd. 13. **Fish health inspector.** "Fish health inspector" means an individual  
95.27 certified as a fish health inspector or an aquatic animal health inspector by the American  
95.28 Fisheries Society or state, federal, or provincial resource management agency, except  
95.29 that a certification may not be made by an inspector who has a conflict of interest in  
95.30 connection with the outcome of the certification.

95.31 Sec. 7. [17.4989] FISH SAMPLE COLLECTING.

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Subdivision 1. **Training.** Fish collector training may be offered by any organization or agency that has had its class and practicum syllabus approved by the commissioner.

The class and practicum must include the following components:

(1) accurate identification of licensed water bodies listed according to section 17.4984 and ensuring that collection is taking place at the correct site;

(2) identification of fish internal organs;

(3) fish dissection and sample preparation as identified by the Department of Natural Resources based on specific testing requirements or as outlined in the Fish Health Blue Book or the Diagnostic Manual for Aquatic Animal Diseases, published by the International Office of Epizootics (OIE);

(4) recording and reporting data;

(5) sample preparation and shipping;

(6) a field collection site test to demonstrate mastery of the necessary skills, overseen by a certified fish health inspector; and

(7) a certificate of successful completion signed by a certified fish health inspector on a form provided by the commissioner.

Subd. 2. **Certification time period.** Fish collector certification is valid for five years and is not transferable. A person may renew certification only by successfully completing certification training. Certification shall be revoked if the certified person is convicted of violating any of the statutes or rules governing testing for aquatic species diseases. Certification may be suspended during an investigation associated with misconduct or violations of fish health testing and collection. The commissioner shall notify the person that certification is being revoked or suspended.

Subd. 3. **Conflict of interest.** A fish collector may not oversee the collection of fish from a facility or a water body when the collector has a conflict of interest in connection with the outcome of the testing.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 17.4991, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Fish health inspection.** (a) An aquatic farm propagating ~~trout, salmon,~~ ~~or salmonids,~~ catfish, or species on the viral hemorrhagic septicemia (VHS) susceptible list published by the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services, and having an effluent discharge from the aquatic farm into public waters must have a fish health inspection conducted at least once every 12 months by a certified fish health inspector. Testing must be conducted according to ~~approved~~ laboratory methods of the Fish Health Blue Book or the Diagnostic Manual for Aquatic Animal Diseases, published by the International Office of Epizootics (OIE).



97.1           (b) An aquatic farm propagating any species on the VHS susceptible list and having  
97.2 an effluent discharge from the aquatic farm into public waters must test for VHS virus  
97.3 using the guidelines of the Fish Health Blue Book or the Diagnostic Manual for Aquatic  
97.4 Animal Diseases. The commissioner may, by written order published in the State Register,  
97.5 prescribe alternative testing time periods and methods from those prescribed in the Fish  
97.6 Health Blue Book or the OIE Diagnostic Manual if the commissioner determines that  
97.7 biosecurity measures will not be compromised. These alternatives are not subject to the  
97.8 rulemaking provisions of chapter 14 and section 14.386 does not apply. The commissioner  
97.9 must provide reasonable notice to affected parties of any changes in testing requirements.

97.10          (c) Results of fish health inspections must be provided to the commissioner for all  
97.11 fish that remain in the state. All data used to prepare and issue a fish health certificate must  
97.12 be maintained for three years by the issuing fish health inspector, approved laboratory, or  
97.13 accredited veterinarian.

97.14          (d) A health inspection fee must be charged based on each lot of fish sampled. The  
97.15 fee by check or money order payable to the Department of Natural Resources must be  
97.16 prepaid or paid at the time a bill or notice is received from the commissioner that the  
97.17 inspection and processing of samples is completed.

97.18          ~~(e)~~ (e) Upon receipt of payment and completion of inspection, the commissioner  
97.19 shall notify the operator and issue a fish health certificate. The certification must be made  
97.20 according to the Fish Health Blue Book or the Diagnostic Manual for Aquatic Animal  
97.21 Diseases by a person certified as a fish health inspector.

97.22          ~~(d)~~ (f) All aquatic life in transit or held at transfer stations within the state may  
97.23 be inspected by the commissioner. This inspection may include the collection of stock  
97.24 for purposes of pathological analysis. Sample size necessary for analysis will follow  
97.25 guidelines listed in the Fish Health Blue Book or the Diagnostic Manual for Aquatic  
97.26 Animal Diseases.

97.27          ~~(e)~~ (g) Salmonids and catfish, or species on the VHS susceptible list must have a  
97.28 fish health inspection before being transported from a containment facility, unless the  
97.29 fish are being transported directly to an outlet for processing or other food purposes or  
97.30 unless the commissioner determines that an inspection is not needed. A fish health  
97.31 inspection conducted for this purpose need only be done on the lot or lots of fish that will  
97.32 be transported. The commissioner must conduct a fish health inspection requested for this  
97.33 purpose within five working days of receiving written notice. Salmonids and catfish may  
97.34 be immediately transported from a containment facility to another containment facility  
97.35 once a sample has been obtained for a health inspection or once the five-day notice  
97.36 period has expired.

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98.1 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 17.4992, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

98.2 Subd. 4. **Sale of eggs by the state.** The commissioner may offer for sale or barter  
98.3 as eggs or fry ~~up to two percent of~~ from the department's annual game fish egg harvest.  
98.4 ~~Additional eggs or fry may be sold if they are surplus to this state's program needs.~~

98.5 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 17.4994, is amended to read:

98.6 **17.4994 SUCKER EGGS.**

98.7 Sucker eggs may be taken from public waters with a sucker egg license endorsement;  
98.8 ~~which authorizes sucker eggs to be taken at a rate of one quart of eggs for each 1-1/2 acres~~  
98.9 ~~of licensed surface waters except that for intensive culture systems, sucker eggs may be~~  
98.10 ~~taken at a rate of two quarts per 1,000 muskellunge fry being reared~~ for the fee prescribed  
98.11 in section 97A.475, subdivision 29. ~~The Taking of~~ sucker eggs from public waters is  
98.12 subject to chapter 97C and may be supervised by the commissioner. The commissioner  
98.13 may limit the amount of sucker eggs that a person with a sucker egg license endorsement  
98.14 may take based on the number of sucker eggs taken historically by the licensee, new  
98.15 requests for eggs, and the condition of the spawning runs at those historical streams and  
98.16 rivers that have produced previous annual quotas.

98.17 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 84.942, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

98.18 Subdivision 1. **Preparation.** The commissioner of natural resources shall prepare  
98.19 ~~a comprehensive fish and wildlife management plan~~ plans designed to accomplish the  
98.20 policy of section 84.941. ~~The comprehensive fish and wildlife management plan shall~~  
98.21 ~~include a strategic plan as outlined in subdivision 2. The strategic plan must be completed~~  
98.22 ~~by July 1, 1986. The management plan must also include the long-range and operational~~  
98.23 ~~plans as described in subdivisions 3 and 4. The management plan must be completed by~~  
98.24 ~~July 1, 1988.~~

98.25 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 84.95, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

98.26 Subd. 2. **Purposes and expenditures.** Money from the reinvest in Minnesota  
98.27 resources fund may only be spent for the following fish and wildlife conservation  
98.28 enhancement purposes:

98.29 (1) development and implementation of the ~~comprehensive~~ fish and wildlife  
98.30 management ~~plan~~ plans under section 84.942;

98.31 (2) implementation of the reinvest in Minnesota reserve program established by  
98.32 section 103F.515;

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99.1 (3) soil and water conservation practices to improve water quality, reduce soil  
99.2 erosion and crop surpluses;

99.3 (4) enhancement or restoration of fish and wildlife habitat on lakes, streams,  
99.4 wetlands, and public and private forest lands;

99.5 (5) acquisition and development of public access sites and recreation easements to  
99.6 lakes, streams, and rivers for fish and wildlife oriented recreation;

99.7 (6) matching funds with government agencies, federally recognized Indian tribes and  
99.8 bands, and the private sector for acquisition and improvement of fish and wildlife habitat;

99.9 (7) research and surveys of fish and wildlife species and habitat;

99.10 (8) enforcement of natural resource laws and rules;

99.11 (9) information and education;

99.12 (10) implementing the aspen recycling program under section 88.80 and for other  
99.13 forest wildlife management projects; and

99.14 (11) necessary support services to carry out these purposes.

99.15 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 84D.03, subdivision 4, as amended by Laws  
99.16 2011, chapter 107, section 22, is amended to read:

99.17 Subd. 4. **Commercial fishing and turtle, frog, and crayfish harvesting**

99.18 **restrictions in infested and noninfested waters.** (a) All nets, traps, buoys, anchors,  
99.19 stakes, and lines used for commercial fishing or turtle, frog, or crayfish harvesting in  
99.20 an infested water that is designated because it contains invasive fish, invertebrates, or  
99.21 certifiable diseases, as defined in section 17.4982, may not be used in any other waters.

99.22 If a commercial licensee operates in an infested water designated because it contains  
99.23 invasive fish, invertebrates, or certifiable diseases, as defined in section 17.4982, all nets,  
99.24 traps, buoys, anchors, stakes, and lines used for commercial fishing or turtle, frog, or  
99.25 crayfish harvesting in waters designated as infested with invasive fish, invertebrates, or  
99.26 certifiable diseases, as defined in section 17.4982, must be tagged with tags provided by  
99.27 the commissioner, as specified in the commercial licensee's license or permit. This tagging  
99.28 requirement does not apply to commercial fishing equipment used in Lake Superior.

99.29 (b) All nets, traps, buoys, anchors, stakes, and lines used for commercial fishing or  
99.30 turtle, frog, or crayfish harvesting in an infested water that is designated solely because it  
99.31 contains Eurasian water milfoil must be dried for a minimum of ten days or frozen for a  
99.32 minimum of two days before they are used in any other waters, except as provided in this  
99.33 paragraph. Commercial licensees must notify the department's regional or area fisheries  
99.34 office or a conservation officer before removing nets or equipment from an infested water  
99.35 designated solely because it contains Eurasian water milfoil and before resetting those

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100.1 nets or equipment in any other waters. Upon notification, the commissioner may authorize  
100.2 a commercial licensee to move nets or equipment to another water without freezing or  
100.3 drying, if that water is designated as infested solely because it contains Eurasian water  
100.4 milfoil.

100.5 (c) A commercial licensee must remove all aquatic macrophytes from nets and other  
100.6 equipment when the nets and equipment are removed from waters of the state.

100.7 (d) The commissioner shall provide a commercial licensee with a current listing of  
100.8 designated infested waters at the time that a license or permit is issued.

100.9 ~~(e) A person harvesting aquatic life from waters of the state for the purpose of~~  
100.10 ~~transporting and stocking shall transport the aquatic life to a holding facility. The aquatic~~  
100.11 ~~life shall remain in the holding facility for at least ten hours and be examined for the~~  
100.12 ~~presence of invasive species.~~

100.13 ~~(f) This subdivision applies to the state and its departments and agencies.~~

100.14 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 84D.11, subdivision 2a, as amended by  
100.15 Laws 2011, chapter 107, section 29, is amended to read:

100.16 Subd. 2a. **Harvest of bait from infested waters.** (a) The commissioner may issue a  
100.17 permit to allow the harvest of bait:

100.18 (1) from waters that are designated as infested waters, except those designated  
100.19 because they contain prohibited invasive species of fish or certifiable diseases of fish as  
100.20 defined in section 17.4982, subdivision 6; and

100.21 (2) from infested waters as allowed under section 97C.341, paragraph (c).

100.22 The permit shall include conditions necessary to avoid spreading aquatic invasive  
100.23 species.

100.24 (b) Before receiving a permit, or working for a permittee, a person annually  
100.25 must satisfactorily complete aquatic invasive species-related training provided by the  
100.26 commissioner.

100.27 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

100.28 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.015, subdivision 24, is amended to read:

100.29 Subd. 24. **Game birds.** "Game birds" means migratory waterfowl, ring-necked  
100.30 pheasant, ruffed grouse, sharp-tailed grouse, Canada spruce grouse, prairie chickens, gray  
100.31 partridge, bobwhite quail, wild turkeys, coots, gallinules, sora and Virginia rails, mourning  
100.32 dove, sandhill crane, American woodcock, and common snipe.

100.33 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.015, subdivision 45, is amended to read:

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101.1 Subd. 45. **Small game.** "Small game" means game birds, gray squirrel, fox squirrel,  
101.2 cottontail rabbit, snowshoe hare, jack rabbit, raccoon, lynx, bobcat, gray wolf, red fox  
101.3 and gray fox, fisher, pine marten, opossum, badger, cougar, wolverine, muskrat, mink,  
101.4 otter, and beaver.

101.5 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.015, subdivision 49, is amended to read:

101.6 Subd. 49. **Undressed bird.** "Undressed bird" means:

101.7 (1) a bird, excluding ~~migratory waterfowl, pheasant, Hungarian partridge, turkey, or~~  
101.8 ~~grouse ducks~~, with ~~feet and a fully~~ feathered ~~head~~ wing intact;

101.9 (2) a ~~migratory waterfowl, excluding geese, duck~~ with a fully feathered wing and  
101.10 head attached; or

101.11 (3) a pheasant, Hungarian partridge, or wild turkey, ~~or grouse~~ with one leg and foot  
101.12 ~~or the fully feathered head or wing~~ intact; or

101.13 ~~(4) a goose with a fully feathered wing attached.~~

101.14 Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.015, subdivision 52, is amended to read:

101.15 Subd. 52. **Unprotected birds.** "Unprotected birds" means English sparrow,  
101.16 blackbird, starling, magpie, cormorant, common pigeon, Eurasian collared dove, chukar  
101.17 partridge, quail other than bobwhite quail, and mute swan.

101.18 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.015, subdivision 55, is amended to read:

101.19 Subd. 55. **Wild animals.** "Wild animals" means all ~~living~~ creatures, whether dead or  
101.20 alive, not human, wild by nature, endowed with sensation and power of voluntary motion,  
101.21 and includes mammals, birds, fish, amphibians, reptiles, crustaceans, and mollusks.

101.22 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

101.23 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.028, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

101.24 Subd. 3. **Emergency deterrent materials assistance.** (a) For the purposes of  
101.25 this subdivision, "cooperative damage management agreement" means an agreement  
101.26 between a landowner or tenant and the commissioner that establishes a program for  
101.27 addressing the problem of destruction of the landowner's or tenant's specialty crops or  
101.28 stored forage crops by wild animals, ~~or~~ destruction of agricultural crops by flightless  
101.29 Canada geese, or destruction of agricultural crops or pasture by elk within the native elk  
101.30 range, as determined by the commissioner.

101.31 (b) A landowner or tenant may apply to the commissioner for emergency deterrent  
101.32 materials assistance in controlling destruction of the landowner's or tenant's specialty

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102.1 crops or stored forage crops by wild animals, ~~or~~ destruction of agricultural crops by  
102.2 flightless Canada geese, or destruction of agricultural crops or pasture by elk within the  
102.3 native elk range, as determined by the commissioner. Subject to the availability of money  
102.4 appropriated for this purpose, the commissioner shall provide suitable deterrent materials  
102.5 when the commissioner determines that:

102.6 (1) immediate action is necessary to prevent significant damage from continuing; and

102.7 (2) a cooperative damage management agreement cannot be implemented  
102.8 immediately.

102.9 (c) A person may receive emergency deterrent materials assistance under this  
102.10 subdivision more than once, but the cumulative total value of deterrent materials provided  
102.11 to a person, or for use on a parcel, may not exceed ~~\$3,000~~ \$5,000 for specialty crops,  
102.12 ~~\$750~~ \$1,500 for protecting stored forage crops other than silage or grain, \$3,000 for stored  
102.13 silage or grain, or ~~\$500~~ \$1,000 for agricultural crops damaged by flightless Canada geese.  
102.14 The value of deterrent materials provided to a person to help protect stored forage crops,  
102.15 agricultural crops, or pasture from damage by elk may not exceed \$5,000. If a person is a  
102.16 co-owner or cotenant with respect to the ~~specialty~~ crops for which the deterrent materials  
102.17 are provided, the deterrent materials are deemed to be "provided" to the person for the  
102.18 purposes of this paragraph.

102.19 (d) As a condition of receiving emergency deterrent materials assistance under this  
102.20 subdivision, a landowner or tenant shall enter into a cooperative damage management  
102.21 agreement with the commissioner. Deterrent materials provided by the commissioner may  
102.22 include repellents, fencing materials, or other materials recommended in the agreement  
102.23 to alleviate the damage problem. If requested by a landowner or tenant, any fencing  
102.24 materials provided must be capable of providing long-term protection of specialty crops.  
102.25 A landowner or tenant who receives emergency deterrent materials assistance under  
102.26 this subdivision shall comply with the terms of the cooperative damage management  
102.27 agreement.

102.28 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.075, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

102.29 Subd. 6. **Walleye stamp.** ~~(a)~~ Revenue from walleye stamps must be credited to the  
102.30 walleye stamp account. Money in the account must be used only for stocking ~~walleye~~  
102.31 walleyes purchased from the private sector in waters of the state ~~and related activities.~~

102.32 ~~(b) Money in the account may not be used for costs unless they are directly related to~~  
102.33 ~~a specific body of water under paragraph (a), or for costs associated with supplies and~~  
102.34 ~~equipment to implement walleye stocking activities under paragraph (a).~~

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103.1 Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.101, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

103.2 Subd. 3. **Fishing may not be restricted.** Seasons or methods of taking fish other  
103.3 than minnows may not be restricted under this section.

103.4 Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.311, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

103.5 Subd. 5. **Refunds.** (a) The commissioner may issue a refund on a license, not  
103.6 including any issuing fees paid under section 97A.485, subdivision 6, if the request is  
103.7 received within 90 days of the original license purchase and:

103.8 (1) the licensee dies before the opening of the licensed season. The original license  
103.9 and a copy of the death certificate must be provided to the commissioner;

103.10 (2) the licensee is unable to participate in the licensed activity because the licensee is  
103.11 called to active military duty or military leave is canceled during the entire open season of  
103.12 the licensed activity. The original license and a copy of the military orders or notice of  
103.13 cancellation of leave must be provided to the commissioner; ~~or~~

103.14 (3) the licensee purchased two licenses for the same license season in error; or

103.15 (4) the licensee was not legally required to purchase the license to participate  
103.16 in the activity.

103.17 (b) This subdivision does not apply to lifetime licenses.

103.18 Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.321, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

103.19 Subdivision 1. **Owner responsibility; penalty amount.** The owner of a dog that  
103.20 pursues but does not kill or mortally wound a big game animal is subject to a civil penalty  
103.21 of \$100 for each violation. The owner of a dog that kills or mortally wounds a big game  
103.22 animal is subject to a civil penalty of \$500 for each violation.

103.23 Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.331, is amended by adding a  
103.24 subdivision to read:

103.25 Subd. 4a. **Hunting big game while under revocation.** Notwithstanding section  
103.26 97A.421, subdivision 7, a person who takes big game during the time the person is  
103.27 prohibited from obtaining a license to take big game under section 97A.421 is guilty  
103.28 of a gross misdemeanor.

103.29 Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.405, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

103.30 Subd. 2. **Personal possession.** (a) A person acting under a license or traveling from  
103.31 an area where a licensed activity was performed must have in personal possession either:

103.32 (1) the proper license, if the license has been issued to and received by the person; or (2)

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104.1 the proper license identification number or stamp validation, if the license has been sold to  
104.2 the person by electronic means but the actual license has not been issued and received.

104.3 (b) If possession of a license or a license identification number is required, a person  
104.4 must exhibit, as requested by a conservation officer or peace officer, either: (1) the proper  
104.5 license if the license has been issued to and received by the person; or (2) the proper  
104.6 license identification number or stamp validation and a valid state driver's license, state  
104.7 identification card, or other form of identification provided by the commissioner, if the  
104.8 license has been sold to the person by electronic means but the actual license has not been  
104.9 issued and received. A person charged with violating the license possession requirement  
104.10 shall not be convicted if the person produces in court or the office of the arresting officer,  
104.11 the actual license previously issued to that person, which was valid at the time of arrest,  
104.12 or satisfactory proof that at the time of the arrest the person was validly licensed. Upon  
104.13 request of a conservation officer or peace officer, a licensee shall write the licensee's name  
104.14 in the presence of the officer to determine the identity of the licensee.

104.15 (c) If the actual license has been issued and received, a receipt for license fees, a  
104.16 copy of a license, or evidence showing the issuance of a license, including the license  
104.17 identification number or stamp validation, does not entitle a licensee to exercise the rights  
104.18 or privileges conferred by a license.

104.19 (d) A license issued electronically and not immediately provided to the licensee  
104.20 shall be mailed to the licensee within 30 days of purchase of the license. A pictorial  
104.21 migratory waterfowl, pheasant, trout and salmon, or walleye stamp shall be provided to  
104.22 the licensee after purchase of a stamp validation only if the licensee pays an additional ~~\$2~~  
104.23 fee that covers the costs of producing and mailing a pictorial stamp. A pictorial turkey  
104.24 stamp may be purchased for a ~~\$2 fee~~; that covers the costs of producing and mailing the  
104.25 pictorial stamp. Notwithstanding section 16A.1283, the commissioner may, by written  
104.26 order published in the State Register, establish fees for providing the pictorial stamps.  
104.27 The fees must be set in an amount that does not recover significantly more or less than  
104.28 the cost of producing and mailing the stamps. The fees are not subject to the rulemaking  
104.29 provisions of chapter 14, and section 14.386 does not apply.

104.30 Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.415, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

104.31 Subd. 2. **Transfer prohibited.** A person may not lend, transfer, borrow, or solicit  
104.32 a license or permit, license identification number, application for a license or permit,  
104.33 coupon, tag, or seal, or use a license, permit, license identification number, coupon, tag,  
104.34 or seal not issued to the person unless otherwise expressly authorized. A person may  
104.35 transfer a license, as prescribed by the commissioner, for use by a person with a severe



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105.1 disability or critical illness who is participating in a hunting or fishing program sponsored  
105.2 by a nonprofit organization.

105.3 Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.425, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

105.4 Subd. 3. **Reports.** Except for persons licensed to mount specimens of wild  
105.5 animals, an annual report covering the preceding license year must be submitted to the  
105.6 commissioner by March 15. The commissioner may require other reports for statistical  
105.7 purposes. The reports must be on forms supplied or approved by the commissioner.

105.8 Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.433, is amended by adding a  
105.9 subdivision to read:

105.10 Subd. 5. **Mandatory separate selection.** The commissioner must conduct  
105.11 a separate selection for 20 percent of the elk licenses to be issued each year. Only  
105.12 individuals who have applied at least ten times for an elk license and who have never  
105.13 received a license are eligible for this separate selection.

105.14 Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.435, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

105.15 Subdivision 1. ~~Number of licenses to be issued~~ **License issuance.** The  
105.16 commissioner shall include in ~~a rule setting the dates for a turkey season the number of~~  
105.17 ~~licenses to be issued~~ rules setting turkey seasons the methods for issuing licenses for  
105.18 those seasons.

105.19 Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.445, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

105.20 Subd. 1a. **Angling in a state park.** (a) A resident may take fish by angling without  
105.21 an angling license:

105.22 (1) when shore fishing or wading on state-owned land within a state park; or

105.23 (2) when angling from a boat or float; ~~this subdivision applies only to those or~~  
105.24 through the ice on water bodies completely encompassed within the statutory boundary of  
105.25 the state park.

105.26 (b) The exemption from an angling license does not apply to waters where a trout  
105.27 stamp is required.

105.28 Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.465, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

105.29 Subd. 5. **Preference to service members.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision:

105.30 (1) "qualified service member or veteran" means a Minnesota resident who:

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(i) is currently serving, or has served at any time during the past 24 months, in active service as a member of the United States armed forces, including the National Guard or other military reserves;

(ii) has received a Purple Heart medal for qualifying military service, as shown by official military records; or

(iii) has a service-connected disability rated at 100 percent as defined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs; and

(2) "active service" means service defined under section 190.05, subdivision 5b or 5c.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, chapter 97B or 97C, or administrative rules, the commissioner may give first preference to qualified service members or veterans in any drawing or lottery involving the selection of applicants for hunting or fishing licenses, permits, and special permits. This subdivision does not apply to licenses or permits for taking moose, elk, or prairie chickens. Actions of the commissioner under this subdivision are not rules under the Administrative Procedure Act and section 14.386 does not apply.

Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.475, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **Nonresident fishing.** (a) Fees for the following licenses, to be issued to nonresidents, are:

(1) to take fish by angling, \$37.50;

(2) to take fish by angling limited to seven consecutive days selected by the licensee, \$26.50;

(3) to take fish by angling for a 72-hour period selected by the licensee, \$22;

(4) to take fish by angling for a combined license for a family for one or both parents and dependent children under the age of 16, \$50.50;

(5) to take fish by angling for a 24-hour period selected by the licensee, \$8.50;

(6) to take fish by angling for a combined license for a married couple, limited to 14 consecutive days selected by one of the licensees, \$38.50; and

(7) to take fish by spearing from a dark house, \$37.50.

(b) A \$2 surcharge shall be added to all nonresident fishing licenses, except licenses issued under paragraph (a), clause (5), and licenses purchased at the resident fee by nonresidents under age 16 under section 97A.451, subdivision 5, paragraph (b). An additional commission may not be assessed on this surcharge.

Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.502, is amended to read:

**97A.502 DEER KILLED BY MOTOR VEHICLES.**

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107.1        (a) Deer killed by a motor vehicle on a public road must be removed by the road  
107.2        authority, as defined by section 160.02, subdivision 25, unless the driver of the motor  
107.3        vehicle is allowed to possess the deer under paragraph (b). The commissioner of natural  
107.4        resources must provide to all road authorities standard forms for statistical purposes and  
107.5        the tracking of wild animals.

107.6        (b) The driver of a motor vehicle that has collided with and killed a deer on a public  
107.7        road has priority for a possession permit for the entire deer if the facts indicate that the  
107.8        deer was not taken illegally.

107.9        Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.505, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

107.10       Subd. 2. **Possession of unlawful animals brought into state prohibited.** (a) A  
107.11       person may not possess a wild animal that has been unlawfully taken, bought, sold, or  
107.12       possessed outside the state, or unlawfully shipped into the state.

107.13       (b) When entering the state from Canada, a person who possesses fish that were  
107.14       unlawfully taken or possessed under paragraph (a) may be charged in the same manner as  
107.15       for possessing fish that were unlawfully taken or possessed in the state.

107.16       Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97A.545, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

107.17       Subd. 5. **Birds must be in undressed condition; exceptions.** (a) Except as  
107.18       provided in paragraph (b), a person may ship or otherwise transport game birds in an  
107.19       undressed condition only.

107.20       (b) Paragraph (a) does not apply if the birds being shipped or otherwise transported:

107.21       (1) were taken on a shooting preserve and are marked or identified in accordance  
107.22       with section 97A.121, subdivision 5;

107.23       (2) were taken, dressed, and lawfully shipped or otherwise transported in another  
107.24       state; ~~or~~

107.25       (3) are migratory game birds that were lawfully tagged and packed by a federally  
107.26       permitted migratory bird preservation facility; or

107.27       (4) are doves shipped or transported in accordance with federal law.

107.28       Sec. 37. **[97B.0215] PARENT OR GUARDIAN RESPONSIBILITY; VIOLATION.**

107.29       A parent or legal guardian of a minor may not knowingly direct, allow, or permit  
107.30       the minor to hunt without the required license, permit, training, or certification, or in  
107.31       violation of the game and fish laws.

107.32       Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97B.022, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

108.1 Subd. 2. **Apprentice hunter validation requirements.** A resident born after  
108.2 December 31, 1979, who is age 12 or ~~older~~ over and who does not possess a hunter  
108.3 education firearms safety certificate may be issued an apprentice hunter validation. An  
108.4 apprentice hunter validation ~~is valid for only one~~ may be purchased two license year years  
108.5 in a lifetime and used to obtain hunting licenses during the same license year that the  
108.6 validation is purchased. An individual in possession of an apprentice hunter validation  
108.7 may hunt small game ~~and~~ deer, and bear only when accompanied by an adult licensed to  
108.8 hunt in Minnesota whose license was not obtained using an apprentice hunter validation.  
108.9 An apprentice hunter validation holder must obtain all required licenses and stamps.

108.10 Sec. 39. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97B.031, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

108.11 Subd. 5. **Scopes; visually impaired hunters.** (a) Notwithstanding any other law  
108.12 to the contrary, the commissioner may issue a special permit, without a fee, to use a  
108.13 muzzleloader with a scope to take deer during the muzzleloader season to a person who  
108.14 obtains the required licenses and who has a visual impairment. The scope may not have  
108.15 magnification capabilities.

108.16 (b) The visual impairment must be to the extent that the applicant is unable to  
108.17 identify targets and the rifle sights at the same time without a scope. The visual impairment  
108.18 and specific conditions must be established by medical evidence verified in writing by  
108.19 (1) a licensed physician; or a certified nurse practitioner or certified physician assistant  
108.20 acting under the direction of a licensed physician; (2) a licensed ophthalmologist; or (3)  
108.21 a licensed optometrist. The commissioner may request additional information from the  
108.22 physician if needed to verify the applicant's eligibility for the permit.

108.23 (c) A permit issued under this subdivision may be valid for up to five years, based  
108.24 on the permanence of the visual impairment as determined by the licensed physician,  
108.25 ophthalmologist, or optometrist.

108.26 (d) The permit must be in the immediate possession of the permittee when hunting  
108.27 under the special permit.

108.28 (e) The commissioner may deny, modify, suspend, or revoke a permit issued under  
108.29 this subdivision for cause, including a violation of the game and fish laws or rules.

108.30 (f) A person who knowingly makes a false application or assists another in making  
108.31 a false application for a permit under this subdivision is guilty of a misdemeanor. A  
108.32 physician, certified nurse practitioner, certified physician assistant, ophthalmologist, or  
108.33 optometrist who fraudulently certifies to the commissioner that a person is visually  
108.34 impaired as described in this subdivision is guilty of a misdemeanor.

109.1 Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97B.041, is amended to read:

109.2 **97B.041 POSSESSION OF FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION RESTRICTED**  
109.3 **IN DEER ZONES.**

109.4 (a) A person may not possess a firearm or ammunition outdoors during the period  
109.5 beginning the fifth day before the open firearms season and ending the second day after  
109.6 the close of the season within an area where deer may be taken by a firearm, except:

109.7 (1) during the open season and in an area where big game may be taken, a firearm  
109.8 and ammunition authorized for taking big game in that area may be used to take big game  
109.9 in that area if the person has a valid big game license in possession;

109.10 (2) an unloaded firearm that is in a case or in a closed trunk of a motor vehicle;

109.11 (3) a shotgun and shells containing No. 4 buckshot or smaller diameter lead shot  
109.12 or steel shot;

109.13 (4) a handgun or rifle capable of firing only rimfire cartridges of .17 and .22 caliber,  
109.14 including .22 magnum caliber cartridges;

109.15 (5) handguns possessed by a person authorized to carry a handgun under sections  
109.16 624.714 and 624.715 for the purpose authorized; and

109.17 (6) on a target range operated under a permit from the commissioner.

109.18 (b) This section does not apply during an open firearms season in an area where deer  
109.19 may be taken only by muzzleloader, except that muzzleloading firearms lawful for the  
109.20 taking of deer may be possessed only by persons with a valid license to take deer by  
109.21 muzzleloader during ~~that~~ the muzzleloader season. While muzzleloader hunting, a person  
109.22 with a valid license to take deer by muzzleloader may not possess a firearm other than:

109.23 (1) a muzzleloader that is legal for taking deer under section 97B.031, subdivision  
109.24 1; and

109.25 (2) a firearm as described in paragraph (a), clauses (2) to (5).

109.26 Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97B.045, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

109.27 Subd. 3. **Exceptions; hunting and shooting ranges.** (a) Notwithstanding  
109.28 provisions to the contrary under this chapter, a person may transport an unloaded, uncased  
109.29 firearm, excluding a pistol as defined in paragraph (b), in a motor vehicle while at a  
109.30 shooting range, as defined under section 87A.01, subdivision 3, where the person has  
109.31 received permission from the lawful owner or possessor to discharge firearms; lawfully  
109.32 hunting on private or public land; or travelling to or from a site the person intends to hunt  
109.33 lawfully that day or has hunted lawfully that day, unless:

109.34 (1) within Anoka, Hennepin, or Ramsey County;

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110.1 ~~(2) within an area where the discharge of a firearm has been prohibited under section~~  
110.2 ~~471.633;~~

110.3 ~~(3)~~ (2) within the boundaries of a home rule charter or statutory city with a  
110.4 population of 2,500 or more;

110.5 ~~(4)~~ (3) on school grounds; or

110.6 ~~(5)~~ (4) otherwise restricted under section 97A.091, 97B.081, or 97B.086.

110.7 (b) For the purposes of this section, a "pistol" includes a weapon designed to be fired  
110.8 by the use of a single hand and with an overall length less than 26 inches, or having a  
110.9 barrel or barrels of a length less than 18 inches in the case of a shotgun or having a barrel  
110.10 of a length less than 16 inches in the case of a rifle:

110.11 (1) from which may be fired or ejected one or more solid projectiles by means  
110.12 of a cartridge or shell or by the action of an explosive or the igniting of flammable or  
110.13 explosive substances; or

110.14 (2) for which the propelling force is a spring, elastic band, carbon dioxide, air or  
110.15 other gas, or vapor.

110.16 Pistol does not include a device firing or ejecting a shot measuring .18 of an inch, or less,  
110.17 in diameter and commonly known as a "BB gun," a scuba gun, a stud gun or nail gun used  
110.18 in the construction industry, or children's pop guns or toys.

110.19 Sec. 42. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97B.055, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

110.20 Subd. 3. **Hunting from vehicle by disabled hunters.** (a) The commissioner may  
110.21 issue a special permit, without a fee, to discharge a firearm or bow and arrow from a  
110.22 stationary motor vehicle to a person who obtains the required licenses and who has a  
110.23 permanent physical disability that is more substantial than discomfort from walking. The  
110.24 permit recipient must be:

110.25 (1) unable to step from a vehicle without aid of a wheelchair, crutches, braces, or  
110.26 other mechanical support or prosthetic device; or

110.27 (2) unable to walk any distance because of a permanent lung, heart, or other internal  
110.28 disease that requires the person to use supplemental oxygen to assist breathing.

110.29 (b) The permanent physical disability must be established by medical evidence  
110.30 verified in writing by a licensed physician ~~or~~ or chiropractor, or certified nurse practitioner  
110.31 or certified physician assistant acting under the direction of a licensed physician. The  
110.32 commissioner may request additional information from the physician or chiropractor  
110.33 if needed to verify the applicant's eligibility for the permit. Notwithstanding section  
110.34 97A.418, the commissioner may, in consultation with appropriate advocacy groups,  
110.35 establish reasonable minimum standards for permits to be issued under this section. In

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111.1 addition to providing the medical evidence of a permanent disability, the applicant must  
111.2 possess a valid disability parking certificate authorized by section 169.345 or license  
111.3 plates issued under section 168.021.

111.4 (c) A person issued a special permit under this subdivision and hunting deer may  
111.5 take a deer of either sex, except in those antlerless permit areas and seasons where no  
111.6 antlerless permits are offered. This subdivision does not authorize another member of a  
111.7 party to take an antlerless deer under section 97B.301, subdivision 3.

111.8 (d) A permit issued under this subdivision is valid for five years.

111.9 (e) The commissioner may deny, modify, suspend, or revoke a permit issued under  
111.10 this section for cause, including a violation of the game and fish laws or rules.

111.11 (f) A person who knowingly makes a false application or assists another in making a  
111.12 false application for a permit under this section is guilty of a misdemeanor. A physician,  
111.13 certified nurse practitioner, certified physician assistant, or chiropractor who fraudulently  
111.14 certifies to the commissioner that a person is permanently disabled as described in this  
111.15 section is guilty of a misdemeanor.

111.16 (g) Notwithstanding paragraph (d), the commissioner may issue a permit valid for  
111.17 the entire life of the applicant if the commissioner determines that there is no chance  
111.18 that an applicant will become ineligible for a permit under this section and the applicant  
111.19 requests a lifetime permit.

111.20 Sec. 43. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97B.075, is amended to read:

111.21 **97B.075 HUNTING RESTRICTED BETWEEN EVENING AND MORNING.**

111.22 (a) A person may not take protected wild animals, except raccoon and fox, with  
111.23 a firearm between the evening and morning times established by commissioner's rule,  
111.24 except as provided in this section.

111.25 (b) Big game may be taken from one-half hour before sunrise until one-half hour  
111.26 after sunset.

111.27 (c) Except as otherwise prescribed by the commissioner on or before the Saturday  
111.28 nearest October 8, waterfowl may be taken from one-half hour before sunrise until sunset  
111.29 during the entire season prescribed by the commissioner. ~~On the opening day of the duck~~  
111.30 ~~season, shooting hours for migratory game birds, except woodcock, begin at 9:00 a.m.~~

111.31 Sec. 44. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97B.106, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

111.32 Subdivision 1. **Qualifications for crossbow permits.** (a) The commissioner may  
111.33 issue a special permit, without a fee, to take big game, small game, or rough fish with a  
111.34 crossbow to a person that is unable to hunt or take rough fish by archery because of a

permanent or temporary physical disability. A crossbow permit issued under this section also allows the permittee to use a bow with a mechanical device that draws, releases, or holds the bow at full draw as provided in section 97B.035, subdivision 1, paragraph (a).

(b) To qualify for a crossbow permit under this section, a temporary disability must render the person unable to hunt or fish by archery for a minimum of two years after application for the permit is made. The permanent or temporary disability must be established by medical evidence, and the inability to hunt or fish by archery for the required period of time must be verified in writing by (1) a licensed physician or a certified nurse practitioner or certified physician assistant acting under the direction of a licensed physician; or (2) a licensed chiropractor. A person who has received a special permit under this section because of a permanent disability is eligible for subsequent special permits without providing medical evidence and verification of the disability.

(c) The person must obtain the appropriate license.

Sec. 45. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97B.211, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Possession of firearms prohibited.** (a) A person may not take deer by archery while in possession of a firearm.

(b) Paragraph (a) does not apply to a person carrying a handgun in compliance with section 624.714.

Sec. 46. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97B.325, is amended to read:

**97B.325 DEER STAND RESTRICTIONS.**

A person may not take deer from a constructed platform or other structure that is located within the right-of-way of an improved public highway ~~or is higher than 16 feet above the ground. The height restriction does not apply to a portable stand that is chained, belted, clamped, or tied with rope.~~

Sec. 47. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97B.405, is amended to read:

**97B.405 COMMISSIONER MAY LIMIT NUMBER OF BEAR HUNTERS.**

(a) The commissioner may limit the number of persons that may hunt bear in an area, if it is necessary to prevent an overharvest or improve the distribution of hunters. The commissioner may establish, by rule, a method, including a drawing, to impartially select the hunters for an area. The commissioner shall give preference to hunters that have previously applied and have not been selected.

~~(b) In the case of a drawing, the commissioner shall allow a person to apply for a permit in more than one area at the same time and rank the person's choice of area. A~~



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113.1 person selected through a drawing must purchase a license by August 1. Any remaining  
113.2 available licenses not purchased shall be issued to any eligible person as prescribed by  
113.3 the commissioner on a first-come, first-served basis beginning three business days after  
113.4 August 1.

113.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

113.6 Sec. 48. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97B.425, is amended to read:

113.7 **97B.425 BAITING BEARS.**

113.8 Notwithstanding section 609.68, a person may place bait to take bear and must  
113.9 display a tag at each site where bait is placed and register the sites. The commissioner  
113.10 shall prescribe the method of tagging and registering the sites. The tag displayed at each  
113.11 site where bait is placed must contain ~~identification information~~: (1) the licensee's name  
113.12 and address; (2) the licensee's driver's license number; or (3) the "MDNR#" license  
113.13 identification number issued to the licensee for a licensed bear hunter or a licensed bear  
113.14 outfitter. A person must have the license identification number of the person with the bear  
113.15 license in their possession or be a licensed bear outfitter while attending a bear bait station.  
113.16 To attract bear a person may not use a bait with:

- 113.17 (1) a carcass from a mammal, if the carcass contains more than 25 percent of the  
113.18 intact carcass;
- 113.19 (2) meat from mammals, if the meat contains bones;
- 113.20 (3) bones of mammals;
- 113.21 (4) solid waste containing bottles, cans, plastic, paper, or metal;
- 113.22 (5) materials that are not readily biodegradable; or
- 113.23 (6) any part of a swine, except cured pork.

113.24 Sec. 49. **[97B.4251] BAITING BEAR; USE OF DRUM.**

113.25 Notwithstanding section 97B.425, a private landowner or person authorized by the  
113.26 private landowner may use a drum to bait bear on the person's private land. The drum  
113.27 must be securely chained or cabled to a tree so that it cannot be moved from the site by a  
113.28 bear and the drum may not include a mechanical device for dispensing feed. The drum  
113.29 must be marked as provided in section 97B.425. For purposes of this section, "drum"  
113.30 means a 30 gallon or larger drum.

113.31 Sec. 50. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97B.515, is amended by adding a  
113.32 subdivision to read:

114.1        Subd. 4. **Taking elk causing damage or nuisance.** The commissioner may  
114.2 authorize licensed hunters to take elk that are causing damage or nuisance from August  
114.3 15 to March 1 under rules prescribed by the commissioner. The commissioner may issue  
114.4 licenses to hunters impartially selected from a list of elk hunt applicants who indicated on  
114.5 their application that they would be interested and available to respond to an elk damage  
114.6 or nuisance situation. Notwithstanding section 97A.433, subdivision 2, clause (2), a  
114.7 person receiving a license to hunt elk under this subdivision does not lose eligibility  
114.8 for future elk hunts.

114.9        Sec. 51. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97B.645, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

114.10        Subd. 9. **Open season.** There shall be no open season for gray wolves ~~for five years~~  
114.11 until after the gray wolf is delisted under the federal Endangered Species Act of 1973.  
114.12 After that time, the commissioner may prescribe open seasons and restrictions for taking  
114.13 gray wolves but must provide opportunity for public comment.

114.14        Sec. 52. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97B.667, is amended to read:

114.15        **97B.667 REMOVAL OF BEAVERS, BEAVER DAMS, AND LODGES BY**  
114.16 **ROAD AUTHORITIES.**

114.17        When a drainage watercourse is impaired by a beaver dam and the water damages  
114.18 or threatens to damage a public road, the road authority, as defined in section 160.02,  
114.19 subdivision 25, may remove the impairment and any associated beaver lodge within 300  
114.20 feet of the road. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the road authority may kill or  
114.21 arrange to have killed by any lawful means a beaver associated with the lodge. Before  
114.22 killing or arranging to kill a beaver under this section, the road authority must contact a  
114.23 conservation officer for a special beaver permit. The conservation officer must issue the  
114.24 permit for any beaver subject to this section. A road authority that kills or arranges to  
114.25 have killed a beaver under this section must notify a conservation officer or the officer's  
114.26 designee as specified in the permit within ten days after the animal is killed. A road  
114.27 authority may, after consultation with the Wildlife Division and the Board of Water and  
114.28 Soil Resources, implement a local beaver control program designed to reduce the number  
114.29 of incidents of beaver interfering with or damaging a public road. The local control  
114.30 program may include the offering of a bounty for the lawful taking of beaver.

114.31        Sec. 53. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97B.803, is amended to read:

114.32        **97B.803 MIGRATORY WATERFOWL SEASONS AND LIMITS.**

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115.1           ~~(a)~~ The commissioner shall prescribe seasons, limits, and areas for taking migratory  
115.2 waterfowl in accordance with federal law.

115.3           ~~(b) The regular duck season may not open before the Saturday closest to October 1.~~

115.4           Sec. 54. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97C.005, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

115.5           Subd. 3. **Seasons, limits, and other rules.** The commissioner may, in accordance  
115.6 with the procedures in subdivision 2, paragraphs (c) and (e), or by rule under chapter 14,  
115.7 establish open seasons, limits, methods, and other requirements for taking fish on special  
115.8 management waters. The commissioner may, by written order published in the State  
115.9 Register, amend daily, possession, or size limits to make midseason adjustments based  
115.10 on available harvest, angling pressure, and population data to manage the fisheries in the  
115.11 1837 Ceded Territory in compliance with the court orders in Mille Lacs Band of Chippewa  
115.12 v. Minnesota, 119 S. Ct. 1187 (1999). The midseason adjustments in daily, possession, or  
115.13 size limits are not subject to the rulemaking provisions of chapter 14 and section 14.386  
115.14 does not apply. Before the written order is effective, the commissioner shall attempt to  
115.15 notify persons or groups of persons affected by the written order by public announcement,  
115.16 posting, and other appropriate means as determined by the commissioner.

115.17           **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

115.18           Sec. 55. **[97C.007] NORTHERN PIKE EXPERIMENTAL AND SPECIAL**  
115.19 **MANAGEMENT WATERS.**

115.20           The combined number of lakes designated for northern pike under sections 97C.001  
115.21 and 97C.005 may not exceed 100 at one time. Until November 1, 2021, the designated  
115.22 lakes must be selected from the lakes identified in rules adopted under sections 97C.001  
115.23 and 97C.005 with northern pike slot limits effective on January 1, 2011. A designation  
115.24 under this section must continue for at least ten years, at which time the commissioner shall  
115.25 determine, based on scientific studies, whether the designation should be discontinued.

115.26           **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective November 1, 2011.

115.27           Sec. 56. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97C.081, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

115.28           Subd. 3. **Contests requiring a permit.** (a) Unless subdivision 3a applies, a person  
115.29 must have a permit from the commissioner to conduct a fishing contest ~~that does not meet~~  
115.30 ~~the criteria in subdivision 2.~~ if:

115.31           (1) there are more than 25 boats for open water contests, more than 150 participants  
115.32 for ice fishing contests, or more than 100 participants for shore fishing contests;

116.1        (2) entry fees are more than \$25 per person; or

116.2        (3) the contest is limited to trout species.

116.3        (b) The commissioner shall charge a fee for the permit that recovers the costs of  
116.4 issuing the permit and of monitoring the activities allowed by the permit. Notwithstanding  
116.5 section 16A.1283, the commissioner may, by written order published in the State Register,  
116.6 establish contest permit fees. The fees are not subject to the rulemaking provisions of  
116.7 chapter 14 and section 14.386 does not apply.

116.8        ~~(b)~~ (c) The commissioner may require the applicant to furnish evidence of financial  
116.9 responsibility in the form of a surety bond or bank letter of credit in the amount of \$25,000  
116.10 if entry fees are over \$25 per person, or total prizes are valued at more than \$25,000, and  
116.11 if the applicant has either:

116.12        (1) not previously conducted a fishing contest requiring a permit under this  
116.13 subdivision; or

116.14        (2) ever failed to make required prize awards in a fishing contest conducted by  
116.15 the applicant; ~~the commissioner may require the applicant to furnish the commissioner~~  
116.16 ~~evidence of financial responsibility in the form of a surety bond or bank letter of credit in~~  
116.17 ~~the amount of \$25,000.~~

116.18        ~~(c)~~ (d) The permit fee for any individual contest may not exceed the following  
116.19 amounts:

116.20        (1) \$60 for an open water contest not exceeding 50 boats and without off-site  
116.21 weigh-in;

116.22        (2) \$200 for an open water contest with more than 50 boats and without off-site  
116.23 weigh-in;

116.24        (3) \$250 for an open water contest not exceeding 50 boats with off-site weigh-in;

116.25        (4) \$500 for an open water contest with more than 50 boats with off-site weigh-in; or

116.26        (5) \$120 for an ice fishing contest with more than 150 participants.

116.27        Sec. 57. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97C.081, is amended by adding a  
116.28 subdivision to read:

116.29        Subd. 3a. **Contests without a permit.** A person may conduct a fishing contest  
116.30 without a permit from the commissioner if:

116.31        (1) the contest is not limited to specifically named waters;

116.32        (2) all the contest participants are age 18 years or under;

116.33        (3) the contest is limited to rough fish; or

116.34        (4) the total prize value is \$500 or less.

117.1 Sec. 58. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97C.087, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

117.2 Subd. 2. **Application for tag.** Application for special fish management tags must  
117.3 be accompanied by a \$5, nonrefundable application fee for each tag. A person may not  
117.4 make more than one tag application each calendar year. If a person makes more than one  
117.5 application, the person is ineligible for a special fish management tag for that ~~season~~  
117.6 calendar year after determination by the commissioner, without a hearing.

117.7 Sec. 59. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97C.205, is amended to read:

117.8 **97C.205 TRANSPORTING AND STOCKING FISH.**

117.9 (a) Except on the water body where taken, a person may not transport a live fish in a  
117.10 quantity of water sufficient to keep the fish alive, unless the fish:

117.11 (1) is being transported under an aquaculture license as authorized under sections  
117.12 17.4985 and 17.4986;

117.13 (2) is being transported for a fishing contest weigh-in under section 97C.081;

117.14 (3) is a minnow being transported under section 97C.505 or 97C.515;

117.15 (4) is being transported by a commercial fishing license holder under section  
117.16 97C.821; or

117.17 (5) is being transported as otherwise authorized in this section or as prescribed for  
117.18 certifiable diseases under sections 17.46 to 17.4999.

117.19 (b) The commissioner may adopt rules to allow and regulate:

117.20 (1) the transportation of fish and fish eggs; and

117.21 (2) the stocking of waters with fish or fish eggs.

117.22 (c) The commissioner must allow the possession of fish on special management or  
117.23 experimental waters to be prepared as a meal on the ice or on the shore of that water  
117.24 body if the fish:

117.25 (1) were lawfully taken;

117.26 (2) have been packaged by a licensed fish packer; and

117.27 (3) do not otherwise exceed the statewide possession limits.

117.28 (d) The commissioner shall prescribe rules designed to encourage local sporting  
117.29 organizations to propagate game fish by using rearing ponds. The rules must:

117.30 (1) prescribe methods to acquire brood stock for the ponds by seining public waters;

117.31 (2) allow the sporting organizations to own and use seines and other necessary  
117.32 equipment; and

117.33 (3) prescribe methods for stocking the fish in public waters that give priority to the  
117.34 needs of the community where the fish are reared and the desires of the organization  
117.35 operating the rearing pond.

118.1 (e) A person age 16 or under may, for purposes of display in a home aquarium,  
118.2 transport largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, yellow perch, rock bass, black crappie, white  
118.3 crappie, bluegill pumpkinseed, green sunfish, orange spotted sunfish, and black, yellow,  
118.4 and brown bullheads taken by angling, except as otherwise ordered by the commissioner  
118.5 upon documentation of an emergency fish disease in Minnesota waters, as defined in  
118.6 section 17.4982, subdivision 9. No more than four of each species may be transported at  
118.7 any one time, and any individual fish can be no longer than ten inches in total length. The  
118.8 commissioner may, by written order published in the State Register, prohibit transportation  
118.9 of live fish under this paragraph to help prevent spread of an emergency fish disease  
118.10 documented to occur in Minnesota waters. The order is exempt from the rulemaking  
118.11 provisions of chapter 14 and section 14.386 does not apply.

118.12 Sec. 60. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97C.211, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

118.13 Subd. 5. **Price of ~~walleye~~ game fish fry and eggs.** The commissioner may ~~not~~ sell  
118.14 ~~walleye or barter game fish fry or eggs for not less than fair market value, defined as the~~  
118.15 ~~average price charged by private walleye fry wholesalers located in Minnesota~~ the cost  
118.16 associated with the production of eggs or fry.

118.17 Sec. 61. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 97C.341, is amended to read:

118.18 **97C.341 CERTAIN AQUATIC LIFE PROHIBITED FOR BAIT.**

118.19 (a) A person may not use live minnows imported from outside of the state, game  
118.20 fish, goldfish, or carp for bait. The commissioner may, by written order published in  
118.21 the State Register, authorize use of game fish eggs as bait and prescribe restrictions on  
118.22 their use. The order is exempt from the rulemaking provisions of chapter 14 and section  
118.23 14.386 does not apply.

118.24 (b) A person may not import or possess live, frozen, or processed bait from known  
118.25 waters where viral hemorrhagic septicemia has been identified as being present, except as  
118.26 provided in paragraph (c). For purposes of this paragraph, "bait" includes fish, aquatic  
118.27 worms, amphibians, invertebrates, and insects used for ~~angling~~ taking wild animals in  
118.28 waters of the state.

118.29 (c) Cisco and rainbow smelt taken under rules adopted by the commissioner may  
118.30 be used as:

118.31 (1) fresh or frozen bait only on Lake Superior; or

118.32 (2) bait that has been processed to inactivate viral hemorrhagic septicemia in a  
118.33 manner prescribed by rules adopted by the commissioner.

(d) To ensure that frozen or dead fish being brought into the state are not in violation of paragraph (b), the following paperwork must accompany the shipment. Documents must be open for inspection by the commissioner at any reasonable time. All documents must be available to purchasers of these bait items. Each container or package of frozen or dead fish must have the following information:

(1) water body source;

(2) lot number;

(3) company contact including name, phone, and address;

(4) date of packaging and labeling; and

(5) valid negative fish health certification from the source water body.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 62. **[97C.342] CERTIFICATION THAT FROZEN OR DEAD FISH BAIT ARE DISEASE FREE.**

**Subdivision 1. Definitions.** For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given:

(1) "Water body" means waters identified by a unique Department of Natural Resources public water identification number; a body of water that has defined boundaries and that has no Department of Natural Resources public water identification number; or a section of stream designated by a Kittle number, lock and dam numbering system, or to the upstream and downstream barrier.

(2) "Commercial license" means a license issued under section 97A.475, subdivision 26, 27, 29, or 30.

**Subd. 2. Bait restrictions.** Frozen or dead fish on the official list of viral hemorrhagic septicemia susceptible species published by the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services; cisco (all Coregonus, including lake herring and tullibee); and smelt (all Osmerus, Spirincus, Hypomesus, and Allosmerus) being used as bait in waters of the state must originate from water bodies certified disease free. Certification for these water bodies is valid for one year from the date of test results.

**Subd. 3. Testing requests.** As a part of commercial licensing procedures, a list of water bodies requiring a fish health certification for commercial bait harvest must be provided to the commissioner no later than March 1 of each year, except in 2011 the list must be provided by August 1.

**Subd. 4. Certification fees.** Notwithstanding section 16A.1283, the commissioner may by written order published in the State Register, establish fees for the services and testing required to issue health certifications for a water body. The fees must be set in an

120.1 amount that does not recover significantly more or less than the costs of providing services  
120.2 to health-certify a water body. The fees are not subject to the rulemaking provisions of  
120.3 chapter 14 and sections 14.125 and 14.386 do not apply. The services covered under  
120.4 this subdivision include:

120.5 (1) cost of collecting the species for testing;

120.6 (2) fish health inspection and certification, including initial tissue sample collection,  
120.7 basic fish health assessment, and fish disease testing; and

120.8 (3) administrative overhead for tracking and documentation of testing.

120.9 Subd. 5. **Transportation permit requirements.** A commercial licensee harvesting  
120.10 from a certified disease-free water body must obtain a live fish importation, transportation,  
120.11 and stocking permit to move fish from that source. A live fish importation, transportation,  
120.12 and stocking permit may be used for multiple shipments within a 30-day term period if  
120.13 the source and destination remain the same. The commercial licensee must contact the  
120.14 department within 24 hours of exercising the permit. Permits may be issued through the  
120.15 department's regional offices or St. Paul office and must be obtained prior to moving fish  
120.16 as approved for movement from these certified disease-free water bodies.

120.17 Subd. 6. **Reporting requirements.** A commercial licensee harvesting bait under  
120.18 this section must maintain records on forms provided by the commissioner for each lot  
120.19 of frozen or dead fish for sale as bait. The records must include the lot number for each  
120.20 batch of frozen or dead fish, water body health certification documentation, transportation  
120.21 permit number, and other information as specified on the reporting form. The commercial  
120.22 licensee must enter required records onto forms within 24 hours of packaging and labeling  
120.23 each lot of fish. The commercial licensee must retain records for three years following  
120.24 the year of creation. All records required to be retained must be open to inspection by  
120.25 the commissioner at any reasonable time.

120.26 Subd. 7. **Labeling requirements.** Frozen or dead fish from certified disease-free  
120.27 water bodies that are being sold as bait must be labeled. The seller of the product is  
120.28 responsible for making sure the items are labeled according to this section. Each container  
120.29 or package of frozen or dead fish bait must have the following information:

120.30 (1) Department of Natural Resources certified water body number;

120.31 (2) Department of Natural Resources transportation permit number;

120.32 (3) lot number;

120.33 (4) date of harvest from water body;

120.34 (5) date of packaging and labeling;

120.35 (6) bait store or vendor name where purchased; and

120.36 (7) disease-free certification date.



121.1        Subd. 8. **Persons using frozen or dead fish bait.** A person on, or taking wild  
121.2 animals in, waters of the state with frozen or dead fish bait must possess all labeling as  
121.3 prescribed under subdivision 7. The person must retain the labeling until the bait is used  
121.4 and no longer in the person's possession.

121.5        **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

121.6        Sec. 63. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 103B.101, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

121.7        Subd. 9. **Powers and duties.** In addition to the powers and duties prescribed  
121.8 elsewhere, the board shall:

121.9        (1) coordinate the water and soil resources planning and implementation activities of  
121.10 counties, soil and water conservation districts, watershed districts, watershed management  
121.11 organizations, and any other local units of government through its various authorities for  
121.12 approval of local plans, administration of state grants, contracts and easements, and by  
121.13 other means as may be appropriate;

121.14        (2) facilitate communication and coordination among state agencies in cooperation  
121.15 with the Environmental Quality Board, and between state and local units of government,  
121.16 in order to make the expertise and resources of state agencies involved in water and soil  
121.17 resources management available to the local units of government to the greatest extent  
121.18 possible;

121.19        (3) coordinate state and local interests with respect to the study in southwestern  
121.20 Minnesota under United States Code, title 16, section 1009;

121.21        (4) develop information and education programs designed to increase awareness  
121.22 of local water and soil resources problems and awareness of opportunities for local  
121.23 government involvement in preventing or solving them;

121.24        (5) provide a forum for the discussion of local issues and opportunities relating  
121.25 to water and soil resources management;

121.26        (6) adopt an annual budget and work program that integrate the various functions  
121.27 and responsibilities assigned to it by law; and

121.28        (7) report to the governor and the legislature by October 15 of each even-numbered  
121.29 year with an assessment of board programs and recommendations for any program  
121.30 changes and board membership changes necessary to improve state and local efforts  
121.31 in water and soil resources management.

121.32        The board may accept grants, gifts, donations, or contributions in money, services,  
121.33 materials, or otherwise from the United States, a state agency, or other source to achieve  
121.34 an authorized or delegated purpose. The board may enter into a contract or agreement  
121.35 necessary or appropriate to accomplish the transfer. The board may conduct or participate

122.1 in local, state, or federal programs or projects that have as one purpose or effect the  
122.2 preservation or enhancement of water and soil resources and may enter into and administer  
122.3 agreements with local governments or landowners or their designated agents as part  
122.4 of those programs or projects. The board may receive and expend money to acquire  
122.5 conservation easements, as defined in chapter 84C, on behalf of the state and federal  
122.6 government consistent with the Camp Ripley's Army Compatible Use Buffer Project.

122.7 Any money received is hereby deposited in an account in a fund other than the  
122.8 general fund and appropriated and dedicated for the purpose for which it is granted.

122.9 Sec. 64. **[348.125] COYOTE CONFLICT MANAGEMENT OPTION.**

122.10 A county or town board may, by resolution, offer a bounty for the taking of coyotes  
122.11 (Canis latrans) by all legal methods. The resolution may be made applicable to the whole  
122.12 or any part of the county or town. The bounty must apply during the months specified in  
122.13 the resolution and be in an amount determined by the board.

122.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

122.15 Sec. 65. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 604A.12, is amended to read:

122.16 **604A.12 LIVESTOCK ACTIVITIES; IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY.**

122.17 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms  
122.18 have the meanings given them.

122.19 (b) "Inherent risks of livestock activities" means dangers or conditions that are an  
122.20 integral part of livestock activities, including:

122.21 (1) the propensity of livestock to behave in ways that may result in death or injury to  
122.22 persons on or around them, such as kicking, biting, ~~or~~ bucking, or charging;

122.23 (2) the unpredictability of livestock's reaction to things like sound, sudden  
122.24 movement, unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals;

122.25 (3) natural hazards such as surface or subsurface conditions; or

122.26 (4) collisions with other livestock or objects.

122.27 (c) "Livestock" means cattle, sheep, swine, horses, ponies, donkeys, mules, hinnies,  
122.28 goats, buffalo, llamas, or poultry.

122.29 (d) "Livestock activity" means an activity involving the maintenance or use of  
122.30 livestock, regardless of whether the activity is open to the general public, and, except in  
122.31 the case of livestock grazing under clause (7), provided the activity is not performed for  
122.32 profit. Livestock activity includes:

122.33 (1) livestock production;

123.1 (2) loading, unloading, or transporting livestock;  
123.2 (3) livestock shows, fairs, competitions, performances, races, rodeos, or parades;  
123.3 (4) livestock training or teaching activities;  
123.4 (5) boarding, shoeing, or grooming livestock; ~~or~~  
123.5 (6) riding or inspecting livestock or livestock equipment; or  
123.6 (7) the use of state property for livestock grazing, pursuant to an agreement with the  
123.7 commissioner of natural resources.

123.8 (e) "Livestock activity sponsor" means a person who sponsors, organizes, or  
123.9 provides the facilities for a livestock activity that is open to the general public.

123.10 (f) "Participant" means a person who directly and intentionally engages in a livestock  
123.11 activity. Participant does not include a spectator who is in an authorized area.

123.12 Subd. 2. **Immunity from liability; livestock events.** ~~Except as provided in~~  
123.13 ~~subdivision 3,~~ A nonprofit corporation, association, or organization, or a person or other  
123.14 entity donating services, livestock, facilities, or equipment for the use of a nonprofit  
123.15 corporation, association, or organization, is not liable for the death of or an injury to a  
123.16 participant resulting from the inherent risks of livestock activities.

123.17 Subd. 3. **Exceptions; livestock events.** Subdivision 2 does not apply if any of  
123.18 the following exist:

123.19 (1) the person provided livestock for the participant and failed to make reasonable  
123.20 efforts to determine the ability of the participant to safely engage in the livestock activity  
123.21 or to determine the ability of the participant to safely manage the particular livestock  
123.22 based on the participant's representations of the participant's ability;

123.23 (2) the person provided equipment or tack for the livestock and knew or should have  
123.24 known that it was faulty to the extent that it caused the injury or death;

123.25 (3) the person owns or leases the land upon which a participant was injured or died  
123.26 because of a human-made dangerous latent condition and failed to use reasonable care  
123.27 to protect the participant;

123.28 (4) the person is a livestock activity sponsor and fails to comply with the notice  
123.29 requirement of subdivision 4; or

123.30 (5) the act or omission of the person was willful or negligent.

123.31 Subd. 3a. **Immunity from liability; grazing on public lands.** (a) Any person  
123.32 or entity grazing livestock on state lands under an agreement with the commissioner  
123.33 of natural resources is not liable for damage to property or the death of or an injury to  
123.34 a person due to the inherent risks of livestock activities.

123.35 (b) This subdivision does not apply if the person or entity grazing the livestock:

124.1           (1) fails to exercise reasonable care in using the land for grazing or in managing  
124.2 the livestock; or

124.3           (2) maintains a condition in material violation of an agreement with the  
124.4 commissioner of natural resources for use of the land, and the condition contributed  
124.5 to the damage, death, or injury.

124.6           Subd. 4. **Posting notice.** (a) A livestock activity sponsor shall post plainly visible  
124.7 signs at one or more prominent locations in the premises where the livestock activity takes  
124.8 place that include a warning of the inherent risks of livestock activity and the limitation of  
124.9 liability under this section.

124.10          (b) The commissioner of natural resources shall post plainly visible signs at one or  
124.11 more prominent locations on any state property being used for grazing purposes pursuant  
124.12 to an agreement with the commissioner. The signs shall include a warning of the inherent  
124.13 risks of livestock activity, and the limitations of liability provided in this section and  
124.14 any other applicable law.

124.15          **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICABILITY.** This section is effective the day  
124.16 following final enactment and applies to causes of action arising on or after that date. The  
124.17 commissioner shall post notice as required by subdivision 4 on any property subject to a  
124.18 livestock grazing agreement on the effective date of this section within 60 days of that date.

124.19          Sec. 66. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 604A.24, is amended to read:

124.20                 **604A.24 LIABILITY; LEASED LAND, WATER-FILLED MINE PITS;**  
124.21 **MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCY LAND.**

124.22                 Unless otherwise agreed in writing, sections 604A.22 and 604A.23 also apply to  
124.23 the duties and liability of an owner of the following land:

124.24                 (1) land leased to the state or any political subdivision for recreational purpose; or

124.25                 (2) idled or abandoned, water-filled mine pits whose pit walls may slump or cave,  
124.26 and to which water the public has access from a water access site operated by a public  
124.27 entity; ~~or~~

124.28                 (3) land of which a municipal power agency is an owner and that is used for  
124.29 recreational trail purposes, and other land of a municipal power agency which is within  
124.30 300 feet of such land if the entry onto such land was from land that is dedicated for  
124.31 recreational purposes or recreational trail use; or

124.32                 (4) land leased to the state or otherwise subject to an agreement or contract for  
124.33 purposes of a state-sponsored walk-in access program.

125.1       Sec. 67. **RULEMAKING; GAME FARMS.**

125.2           (a) The commissioner of natural resources shall amend Minnesota Rules, parts  
125.3 6242.0900, subpart 1, and 6242.1000, subpart 1, to allow an option for game farm  
125.4 licensees to use approved report and sales receipt formats.

125.5           (b) The commissioner may use the good cause exemption under Minnesota Statutes,  
125.6 section 14.388, subdivision 1, clause (3), to adopt rules under this section, and Minnesota  
125.7 Statutes, section 14.386, does not apply except as provided under Minnesota Statutes,  
125.8 section 14.388.

125.9       Sec. 68. **RULEMAKING; SPEARING ON CASS LAKE.**

125.10          The commissioner of natural resources shall amend Minnesota Rules, part  
125.11 6264.0400, subpart 69, to allow a person to take fish by spearing on Cass Lake. The  
125.12 commissioner may use the good cause exemption under Minnesota Statutes, section  
125.13 14.388, to adopt rules under this section, and Minnesota Statutes, section 14.386, does not  
125.14 apply except as provided under Minnesota Statutes, section 14.388. Until July 1, 2016, the  
125.15 commissioner shall not adopt restrictions on spearing northern pike on Cass Lake under  
125.16 Minnesota Statutes, section 97C.001 or 97C.005.

125.17       Sec. 69. **DEER HUNTING RULES.**

125.18          (a) If the commissioner of natural resources adopts a rule applicable for the Series  
125.19 300 deer permit areas that imposes an antler point restriction for taking antlered deer,  
125.20 other than that imposed under Minnesota Rules, part 6232.0200, subpart 6, the rule must  
125.21 expire after the 2012 deer hunting season.

125.22          (b) The commissioner of natural resources may not reinstate an antler point  
125.23 restriction for the Series 300 deer permit areas, other than that imposed under Minnesota  
125.24 Rules, part 6232.0200, subpart 6, after the 2012 deer hunting season unless the legislature  
125.25 approves the antler point restriction.

125.26          (c) The commissioner of natural resources shall amend Minnesota Rules, part  
125.27 6232.1300, subpart 3, item B, to allow legal bucks to be taken in season option A for a  
125.28 nine-day period beginning the Saturday nearest November 6. The commissioner may use  
125.29 the good cause exemption under Minnesota Statutes, section 14.388, subdivision 1, clause  
125.30 (3), to adopt rules under this section, and Minnesota Statutes, section 14.386, does not  
125.31 apply except as provided in Minnesota Statutes, section 14.388.

125.32       Sec. 70. **REPEALER.**

126.1 Minnesota Statutes 2010, sections 84.942, subdivisions 2, 3, and 4; 97A.015,  
126.2 subdivisions 26b, 27b, and 27c; 97A.435, subdivision 5; 97B.511; 97B.515, subdivision 3;  
126.3 and 97C.081, subdivision 2, are repealed.

126.4 Sec. 71. **EFFECTIVE DATE; RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER**  
126.5 **APPROPRIATIONS.**

126.6 Unless otherwise specified, this article is effective retroactively from July 1, 2011,  
126.7 and supersedes and replaces funding authorized by order of the Second Judicial District  
126.8 Court in Case No. 62-CV-11-5203.

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**84.027 POWERS AND DUTIES.**

Subd. 11. **Federal conservation grants.** The commissioner of natural resources shall receive and administer grants under the land and water conservation grant program authorized by Congress in the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, as amended.

**84.942 FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PLAN.**

Subd. 2. **Strategic plan.** The strategic plan must be updated every six years and include:

- (1) an issues analysis describing major fish and wildlife management problems;
- (2) a description of strategies to address management problems; and
- (3) an assessment of the need for additional fish and wildlife research facilities.

Subd. 3. **Long-range plan.** The long-range plan must be updated every six years and include:

- (1) an assessment of historical, present, and projected demand for fish and wildlife resources;
- (2) an assessment of the capability of fish and wildlife resources to meet present and future demand;
- (3) development of a database capable of continuous updating and usable as a resource management tool; and
- (4) a statement of major goals, objectives, and policies to address fish and wildlife resource management issues.

Subd. 4. **Operational plan.** The operational plan must be reviewed and updated every two years. The operational plan must include the following:

- (1) a description of specific actions needed to address resource management issues;
- (2) an estimate of the expenditures necessary to implement the management actions and a description of the sources and amounts of revenue available;
- (3) a procedure to review expenditures and evaluate the effectiveness of the management program; and
- (4) recommendations for additional actions necessary to meet fish and wildlife management needs.

**97A.015 DEFINITIONS.**

Subd. 26b. **Intensive deer area.** "Intensive deer area" means an area of the state where taking a deer of either sex is allowed and where multiple bonus permits are authorized.

Subd. 27b. **Lottery deer area.** "Lottery deer area" means an area of the state where taking antlerless deer is allowed only by either-sex permit and where no bonus permits are authorized.

Subd. 27c. **Managed deer area.** "Managed deer area" means an area of the state where taking a deer of either sex is allowed and where one bonus permit is authorized.

**97A.435 TURKEY LICENSES; APPLICATION AND ELIGIBILITY.**

Subd. 5. **Spring season.** (a) A person who has not applied for a turkey license through the lottery or applied for a license and was unsuccessful in the lottery, may purchase a turkey hunting license to hunt by archery for the spring turkey season during a combined seventh and eighth time period. A turkey hunting license under this subdivision is separate from the normal lottery process and is effective for hunting only in a wild turkey permit area in the state where 50 or more licenses are issued during an established time period.

(b) Turkey lottery preference points shall not be reduced for a person purchasing a license under this subdivision.

(c) A person may take only one bearded turkey in a spring turkey season regardless of whether the hunter purchased a license through the lottery system or as provided in this subdivision.

**97B.511 MOOSE STAND RESTRICTIONS.**



## APPENDIX

### Repealed Minnesota Statutes: 11-3661

A person may not take moose from a constructed platform or other structure higher than nine feet above the ground. The restriction does not apply to a portable stand that is chained, belted, clamped, or tied with rope.

#### **97B.515 ELK; LICENSE REQUIRED, SEASONS, RESTRICTIONS.**

Subd. 3. **Stand restrictions.** A person may not take elk from a constructed platform or other structure higher than nine feet above the ground. The restriction does not apply to a portable stand that is chained, belted, clamped, or tied with rope.

#### **97C.081 FISHING CONTESTS.**

Subd. 2. **Contests without a permit.** A person may conduct a fishing contest without a permit from the commissioner provided:

- (1) the following criteria are met:
  - (i) there are 25 boats or less for open water contests and 150 participants or less for ice fishing contests;
  - (ii) the entry fee is \$25 per person or less;
  - (iii) the total prize value is \$25,000 or less; and
  - (iv) the contest is not limited to trout species only;
- (2) the following criteria are met:
  - (i) the contest is not limited to specifically named waters; and
  - (ii) the contest is not limited to trout species only;
- (3) all the contest participants are age 18 years or under;
- (4) the contest is limited to rough fish; or
- (5) the total prize value is \$500 or less.

#### **116P.14 FEDERAL LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUNDS.**

Subdivision 1. **Designated agency.** The Department of Natural Resources is designated as the state agency to apply for, accept, receive, and disburse federal reimbursement funds and private funds, which are granted to the state of Minnesota from section 6 of the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund Act.

Subd. 2. **State land and water conservation account; creation.** A state land and water conservation account is created in the natural resources fund. All of the money made available to the state from funds granted under subdivision 1 shall be deposited in the state land and water conservation account.

Subd. 3. **Local share.** Fifty percent of all money made available to the state from funds granted under subdivision 1 shall be distributed for projects to be acquired, developed, and maintained by local units of government, providing that any project approved is consistent with a statewide or a county or regional recreational plan and compatible with the statewide recreational plan. All money received by the commissioner for local units of government is appropriated annually to carry out the purposes for which the funds are received.

Subd. 4. **State share.** Fifty percent of the money made available to the state from funds granted under subdivision 1 shall be used for state land acquisition and development for the state outdoor recreation system under chapter 86A and the administrative expenses necessary to maintain eligibility for the federal land and water conservation fund.